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## LETTER OF EXEMPTION NO. 227.

July 16, 2013

Justin W.Wayment, Esq. P.O. Box 1808 51 East 400 North, Bldg. #1 Cedar City, UT 84721

Dear Mr. Wayment,

The Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) received your application, filed on behalf of Allard Ranch Water Company (Allard Ranch), for an exemption from Commission regulation. On July 3, 2013, the Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommended the Commission issue a letter of exemption because "Allard Ranch . . . serves only its members and not the public generally[.]" Under Utah Code Ann. § 54-2-1(29), a water corporation "does not include private irrigation companies engaged in distributing water only to their stockholders[.]" Accordingly, an exemption appears to be appropriate.

Please be advised that this Letter of Exemption No. <u>227</u> is granted pursuant to the representations contained in your application and the basis for the Division's recommendation; in particular, that Allard Ranch serves only its members and not the public generally. Allard Ranch is under a continuing obligation to update the Commission within 30 days of any change. Furthermore, issuance of this letter does not alter the authority of the Commission to inspect and audit Allard Ranch to verify that it is not serving the public generally. This Letter of Exemption No. <u>227</u> is revocable for cause at any time. Please refer to this letter number in any future correspondence with either the Commission or the Division.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg Commission Secretary D#245731

cc: Bill Duncan, Telecommunications/Water Manager, Division of Public Utilities Shauna Benvegnu-Springer, Utility Analyst, Division of Public Utilities Dennis Miller, Paralegal, Division of Public Utilities