



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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June 25, 2001

John Hancock Life Insurance Co.  
138 Regis St., Suite A  
Turlock, CA 95382

**Re: Emergency Drought Permit G4-34502**

In accordance with the provisions of RCW 43.83B.405, on March 14, 2001, it was ordered and determined by the Director of the Department of Ecology that the State of Washington is under drought conditions. In accordance with the provisions of WAC 176-166-060, the Department of Ecology is under the terms of this Order, issuing an EMERGENCY DROUGHT PERMIT. The intent of this authorization is to alleviate hardships and reduce the burdens on water users arising from the drought conditions

The applicant submitted an Emergency Drought application which is the second application No. G4-34502. The applicant has an initial water right District (RID) to irrigate 70 acres of orchard.

**THIS AUTHORIZATION SHALL IN NO MANNER BE CONSTRUED TO IMPLY THAT A FINAL (REGULAR) PERMIT WILL ISSUE FOR WATER USE HEREIN AUTHORIZED.**

The Department of Ecology has agreed to fund the cost of the mitigation associated with the drought emergency authorizations. Ecology is attempting to meet the irrigation needs of farmers growing orchard crops, grapes and hops who would permanently damage trees and vines. Essential needs have been determined and irrigation water duty delivered by the irrigation districts.

This authorization is conditioned by the following provisions and limitations:

This authorization is for an existing well authorized under Ground Water Certificate No. G4-24557C and is located approximately 500 feet south and 700 feet east from the center of Section 35, being within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 35, T. 10 N., R. 23 E.W.M. The well is reported to be 817 feet deep and is authorized to pump 1400 gallons per minute and 761 acre-feet per year for supplemental irrigation of 140 acres.

The quantity of water to be withdrawn is limited to 445 gallons per minute (gpm) and 140 acre-feet per year to irrigate 70 acres of orchard. This is based upon the instantaneous quantity requested and an annual quantity of 2 acre-feet per acre for orchard.

The well authorized  
under G4-24557C is  
in T11/R20-13

RD.

It appears that it should  
be G4-24914C.



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Water is to be used for supplemental irrigation of 70 acres of orchard from May 1 to October 31, 2001.  
The place of use is described as follows:

The S½SW¼ of Section 35, T. 10 N., R. 23 E.W.M., Yakima County.

A suitable flow meter approved by the Department of Ecology shall be installed and maintained in accordance with WAC 508-64-020 through WAC 508-64-040. (Installation, operation and maintenance requirements attached hereto.)

Whenever water is being diverted, bi-weekly (every two weeks) readings of the flow meter shall be recorded and maintained by the permittee. These readings shall be documented by time, date, withdrawal rate, and the person conducting the measurements. Copies of these records shall be submitted to the Department of Ecology at the end of the 2001 irrigation season.

Withdrawal of water under this authorization may be limited or otherwise regulated in favor of senior rights.

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, shall have access at reasonable times, to the records of water use that are kept to meet the above conditions, and to inspect at reasonable times any measuring device used to meet the above conditions.

This drought emergency authorization expires on October 31, 2001

Sincerely,



Robert F Barwin, Section Manager  
Water Resources Program

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Enclosures: Flow Meter Requirements  
cc: Yakama Indian Nation



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To: Carroll Palmer, Yakama Nation

RE: **Emergency Drought Change Authorization re: John Hancock Life Insurance  
(G4-34502)**

Enclosed is a copy of the Department of Ecology's Emergency Drought Permit, which constitutes our determination and order regarding the above-referenced application. If you have any questions or concerns about any of this information, please call Carol Mortensen of the Department of Ecology at (509) 575-2597.

This Order may be appealed pursuant to RCW Chapter 43.21B. The person to whom this Order is issued must file an appeal with the Pollution Control Hearings Board within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order. Send the appeal to: Pollution Control Hearings Board, P.O. Box 40903, Olympia, Washington 98504-0903. At the same time, a copy of the appeal must be sent to: Department of Ecology, Fiscal Office, P.O. Box 47615, Olympia, Washington 98504-7615. All others receiving notice of this Order must file an appeal with the Pollution Control Hearings Board within thirty (30) days of the date the Order was mailed in the same manner described above.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Barwin, Section Manager  
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Enclosures: Emergency Drought Permit

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