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EMPLOYMENT OBJECTIVE

To be an effective and successful water commissioner for Parowan Valley Water.

EDUCATION

B.S. degree, Agricultural Economics, Brigham Young University, 1982, with an emphasis in farm and ranch management.

EXPERIENCE

Brian Head Town Public Works: 2000-2001, 2008-Present. Town public works duties including operating and maintaining water system, serving upwards of 10,000 residents during the holidays; remote monitoring and operation by scada system (radio, internet and computers).

Construction: Equipment operator, foreman, supervisor, business owner, contractor.

Soil Conservation District Supervisor: 1987-1991. Elected position. Screened and interviewed applicants. Budgeted and dispersed \$300,000 annually for irrigation and conservation projects.

Heritage Farms Company: 1981-1989. Partner and manager, 960 acre farming operation.

Gurr Farms: 1963-1989. Involved in expansion from 400 flood irrigated acres to 960 sprinkler irrigated acres. Helped develop, operate and maintain irrigation system, which included 5 wells, 5 miles of main line, seven million gallons pumped daily. Was involved in Parowan Valley Pumpers legal concerns over water rights, adjudicated acres, aquifer recharge, and irrigation practices, including meeting with state engineer and attorneys.

QUALIFICATIONS

Twenty-four years management and supervisory experience. Proficient in problem solving, working and communicating with people. Trained, experienced and certified as a Utah Water System Operator Grade I, as regulated by the Drinking Water Board. Proficient in scada system.

Skills: Computer, GPS - hand held and equipment mounted; laser - single and dual plane; staking, setting grade, layout; mechanics, welding, concrete, carpentry.

Leadership Background: SUU Student Body President, SUU Institutional Council, member of Utah Council of Student Body Presidents. Member, Parowan City Board of Adjustments. Church, scouting and community service.

References upon request

November 24, 2010

Parowan Water Commission
Parowan, Utah

To Whom It May Concern:

I am applying for the position of Parowan Water Commissioner.

I grew up learning to work on the family farm in Parowan valley. I still believe in honest work, whether it is supervised or not, and the satisfaction of a job well done.

I am familiar with many of the farms in Parowan valley and have followed with great interest the evolving improvement of farming practices, including irrigation.

I am willing to obtain the training as required in GIS mapping and ARC view software.

I would appreciate the opportunity to visit with you further concerning this position.

Sincerely,



Thomas O. Gurr