THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF IDAHO BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2008-05

REDUCTION OF GENERAL FUND SPENDING AUTHORITY REPEALING AND REPLACING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2008-03

WHEREAS, article 7, section 11, of the Idaho Constitution provides that except in extraordinary or emergency circumstances, expenditures of the state government shall not exceed its revenue; and

WHEREAS, I have determined that expenditures from the General Fund authorized by the Legislature for the current fiscal year will exceed anticipated state revenue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this state, and pursuant to Section 67-3512A do hereby order:

- 1) That Executive Order 2008-03, which imposed a one-percent (1%) holdback, is revoked;
- 2) That the General Fund spending authority on file in the Office of the State Controller, be reduced for all departments, offices and institutions of the state by four percent (4%) of their Fiscal Year 2009 General Fund Appropriation;
- 3) In addition to the 4% reduction in General Fund spending authority for Fiscal Year 2009 the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation's General Fund appropriation is further reduced by \$150,000, which shall be taken from Park Housing, line item 9 in House Bill 614 as passed by the 2008 Idaho Legislature;
- 4) In addition to the 4% reduction in General Fund spending authority for Fiscal Year 2009 the State Department of Education's General Fund appropriation is further reduced by \$3,972,500, which shall be taken from the early math education program as provided in section 8 of House Bill 672 as passed by the 2008 Idaho Legislature;
- 5) The Idaho Department of Water Resources shall revert \$12,000,000 to the General Fund from the Aquifer Planning and Management Fund and the State Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer this amount back to the State Controller;
- 6) The Permanent Building Fund shall revert \$5,645,200 to the General Fund from the one-time transfer authorized by the 2008 Idaho Legislature in Senate Bill 1498;
- 7) That each department, office and institution shall notify the Office of the State Controller and the Division of Financial Management of the Executive Office of the Governor of budget changes by December 8, 2008 according to the attachment made part of this Executive Order;
- 8) That elected State Constitutional officials are requested to reduce General Fund expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2009 to reflect the realities of the projected revenue shortfall without impairing the discharge of their constitutional duties; and
- 9) Officers of the legislative and judicial branches are requested to assess and evaluate a reduction in the General Fund expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2009 to reflect similar revenue shortfalls in the executive branch of state government.

This Order shall take effect immediately upon its execution and shall continue in effect until January 31, 2009, unless revoked or modified by the Governor, or until the Legislature or the Board of examiners takes further action.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 1st day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-third and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred nineteenth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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