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FAXOGRAM: Water Order Change

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Attention: Resource Coordinator, Lance Elias

From: Reservoir and River Operations, Billings, Montana

Subject: **Canyon Ferry Water Release Order - CFR No. 11-22**

CURRENT RESERVOIR CONDITIONS: (May 26, 2011: 12:00pm)

Elevation: 3778.89; Storage: 1,327,677 acre-feet; River Release: 14,280 cfs; Inflow: 19,500 cfs;

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Recent precipitation in the Helena and Great Falls area, has caused moderate increases in streamflows downstream of Canyon Ferry. In an attempt to maintain river flows downstream at near channel capacity, releases out of Canyon Ferry to the Missouri River will be reduced as follow:

CANYON FERRY RELEASES AND OPERATIONS: All times are Mountain Daylight Savings Time (MDST)

At 1530 hour on Thursday, May 26, 2011:

Maintain releases through the river outlet gates at 0 cfs.

Decrease releases through the spillway gates to 6,000 cfs.

Maintain turbine releases at $\approx 5,885$ cfs ($\approx 1,270$ MW-Hrs/day using 111.1 cfs/mw).

Maintain releases for Helena Valley Project at 615 cfs (300 cfs pumped to Helena Valley and 315 cfs discharged to the Missouri River).

Decrease average daily release to the Missouri River to 12,200 cfs.

Decrease average total release from Canyon Ferry to 12,500 cfs.

/S/ Tim H. Felchle