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Mr. Tom W. Davis
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Subject: Approval of Calendar Year 2009 Diversion for the Yuma County Water Users' Association (Association)

Dear Mr. Davis:

In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations Part 417, this letter informs the Association of the determination of the Bureau of Reclamation regarding the proposed diversion and beneficial use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2009 by the Association.

Water rights for lands within the Association are based on water right certificates which provide for delivery of the quantity of water which can be beneficially used for irrigation of individual lands covered by the water right certificate.

Based upon review of factors relating to the estimate of diversions required by the Association, Reclamation hereby approves the diversion of up to 376,000 acre-feet of Colorado River water for use in the Association's service area for 2009.

Reclamation will monitor and project diversions and consumptive use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2009 in an effort to ensure that the entitlement of each authorized user is not exceeded. Beginning in February 2009, these projections will be available to water users on a daily basis on Reclamation's web site: www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast09.pdf. It is expected that Arizona entitlement holders will use this information to adjust diversions to remain within approved annual quantities.

Thank you for the submittal of the Association's diversion estimate for 2009. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Ruth Thayer at 702-293-8426.

Sincerely,



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