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Subject: Approval of Revised Calendar Year 2014 Colorado River Diversion for the Yuma  
Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District (District)

Dear Mr. Morgan:

In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations Part 417 (Part 417), this letter provides the District with notice of my determination regarding the District's revised diversion estimate for the use of Colorado River water for calendar year 2014.

The District is entitled to divert its equitable share of the quantity of Colorado River water available to satisfy consumptive use on lands within the Yuma Mesa Division (Division) of the Gila Project. This entitlement is in accordance with the District's contract with the United States and the Regional Director's final administrative determination, dated December 27, 2001, setting forth appropriate and equitable shares of the Division's Colorado River water entitlement among the North Gila Valley Irrigation and Drainage District, Yuma Irrigation District, and Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District.

Based upon a review of the revised calendar year 2014 diversion estimate provided by the District, and review of the Bureau of Reclamation's end of year water use projections for the Division, I approve the diversion of up to 208,488 acre-feet (AF) of Colorado River water during calendar year 2014 for use in the District's service area. Nothing in this approval should be construed as authorizing the Division to exceed its annual consumptive use entitlement of 250,000 AF of Colorado River water.

Reclamation will continue to monitor and project diversions and consumptive use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2014 in an effort to ensure each entitlement holder's annual approval is not exceeded. These projections are available to water users on a daily basis on Reclamation's website: [www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast14.pdf](http://www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast14.pdf). It is expected

that Arizona entitlement holders will use this information to adjust diversions to remain within approved annual quantities or, as appropriate, seek modification of the approval.

Thank you for submitting the District's revised diversion estimate for calendar year 2014. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul Matuska, Water Accounting and Verification Group Manager, at 702-293-8164 or [pmatuska@usbr.gov](mailto:pmatuska@usbr.gov).

Sincerely,

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