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CERTIFIED – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Steven B. Robbins
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Subject: Colorado River Water Delivery Agreement (CRWDA), Exhibit C Payback for 2008

Dear Mr. Robbins:

In accordance with the Inadvertent Overrun and Payback Policy (IOPP), the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) prepared an Extraordinary Water Conservation Plan (Plan) that detailed a water management program to pay back 9,100 acre-feet of the Exhibit C balance during calendar year 2008. The Inadvertent Overrun and Payback Technical Committee (IOPTC) reviewed the Plan and recommended its adequacy to Reclamation on November 15, 2007.

The IOPP obligates Reclamation to monitor the implementation of the extraordinary conservation measures contained in the payback plan. The IOPTC recommended that Reclamation inspect 5 percent of the acres receiving water management assistance to verify that the measures were applied according to the Plan. Verification included interviews with water users, examining water use data, observations from field visits, and reviewing consultant implementation reports.

Of the 19,857 acres under water management assistance in the spring and 13,640 acres under water management assistance in the fall, 16 fields totaling approximately 1,691 acres were randomly selected to verify the implementation of the conservation measures.

Enclosed for your information are the resulting reports that validate the implementation of the planned water conservation measures. Reclamation accredits 6,989 acre-feet to the payback of the Exhibit C balance in calendar year 2008.

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul Matuska at 702-293-8164.

Sincerely,

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