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Subject: Request by the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) to Store Additional 2008 Nevada Unused Apportionment

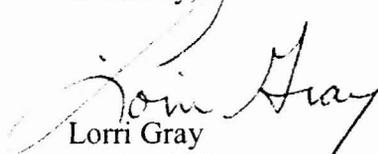
Dear Ms. Brothers:

The Bureau of Reclamation is in receipt of SNWA's letter dated October 9, 2008, requesting that SNWA be allowed to store an additional 30,000 acre-feet of 2008 Nevada unused apportionment with The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) during calendar year 2008. This results in a total of 45,000 acre-feet being stored by MWD on behalf of SNWA for calendar year 2008.

In accordance with Article 3.3 of the Storage and Interstate Release Agreement dated October 27, 2004, Reclamation confirms the existence of 45,000 acre-feet of Nevada unused apportionment. As authorized by Article II(B)(6) of the Consolidated Decree of the United States Supreme Court in *Arizona v. California*, 547 U.S. 150 (2006), Reclamation will release the additional 30,000 acre-feet of Nevada unused apportionment to MWD for diversion and storage during 2008.

Please submit a revised diversion schedule for calendar year 2008 that demonstrates the additional reduction of diversion of 30,000 acre-feet of Nevada unused apportionment at your earliest convenience. If you have questions, please call Ms. Ruth Thayer at 702-293-8426.

Sincerely,


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