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Tom, Terry,

In response to your request for comments, below, please find attached a document entitled "Documents That Should Be Considered by the Secretary in Determination on Mid-Year Review of 2005 Annual Operating Plan." All these documents should be considered by the Secretary and should be part of the administrative record of the Secretary's determination. Please include reference to these documents, as well as other comments that have been received, as having been considered in any formal Secretarial determination regarding the 2005 AOP.

Also, the record should reflect that no proposal for amendment or alteration of the 2005 Annual Operating Plan was proffered by the Bureau of Reclamation for review or comment by members of the Colorado River Management Work Group at its meeting on April 26, 2005. The "scenarios" presented were specifically discounted as not being proposals under consideration by the Secretary.

Thank you both for your very professional work.

Jim Davenport

Documents That Should Be Considered by the Secretary in Determination on Mid-Year  
Review of 2005 Annual Operating Plan

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