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Honorable Eddward P. Ballinger, Jr.
Little Colorado River Adjudication Court
18380 N. 40th Street, Suite 120
Phoenix, Arizona 85032

Re: Zuni Well Catalog

Dear Judge Ballinger:

This letter transmits a "Preliminary Catalog of Non-Exempt Registered Wells" consistent with the Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement (Settlement) approved by the Little Colorado River (LCR) Adjudication Court on November 27, 2006.

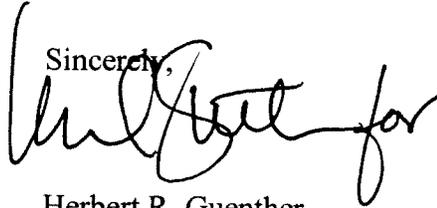
Article 5 of the Settlement Agreement directs ADWR to compile a catalog in the Eastern LCR Basin "that identifies all existing wells by registration number, legal description, and owner." Further, once the wells have been verified and within three years of the enforcement date of the Settlement, "ADWR shall submit the catalog of non-exempt wells to the Decree Court with notice as ordered by the Decree Court." The enforcement date of the Settlement was December 19, 2006.

A copy of this preliminary catalog is provided to the Court and to each of the settling parties. A copy of this letter of transmittal to the Court is being sent to the LCR Adjudication court approved mailing list. Copies of the preliminary catalog are also being made available for public review at the Apache and Navajo County offices, and in the Holbrook, Round Valley, St. Johns, Show Low, Snowflake and Winslow public libraries. The public will be notified of the catalog via a press release in local newspapers and an electronic copy of the preliminary catalog will be available for review on ADWR's website (www.azwater.gov).

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ADWR welcomes any guidance from the Court, settling and adjudication parties, and county officials on broadening the review of this report. ADWR plans to review all comments received on the preliminary catalog for inclusion in a final catalog to be submitted to the Court by December 19, 2009.

Should you have any questions about the report please feel free to contact Tom Carr at 602-771-8526.

Sincerely,

Herbert R. Guenther
Director

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Enclosure

cc: Special Master
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LCR Adjudication Court Approved Mailing List (w/o enclosure)