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Gerry Hoyt
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Dear Gerry:

On the occasion of your retirement, I would like to take this opportunity, as the State Engineer, to thank you on behalf of the Division of Water Rights, the Distribution Section staff, and the Regional Office staff for your 35 years of service as Water Commissioner for the East Fork Virgin River Distribution System.

The position of Water Commissioner is a demanding and sometimes thankless responsibility, and yet, you have always carried the responsibility with dignity and diplomacy. Your involvement with water regulation on the East Fork Virgin River has ensured a consistently orderly and equitable distribution of water.

The job of Water Commissioner was made more difficult by the very nature of the East Fork, which has presented many challenges over the years from periods of drought to periods of flooding, many times occurring during the same year. Your experience with the river, the area, and the people has allowed you to provide invaluable assistance in meeting these challenges.

Again, our many thanks for the many years of outstanding service you have rendered to the East Fork Virgin River water users and to the State of Utah.

Sincerely,

Kent L. Jones, P.E.
State Engineer

cc: Cedar City Regional Offices
Lee Sim, Asst. State Engineer

