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January 26, 2005

Mr. Jack Barnett, Engineer-Manager
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Dear Jack:

As Bear Lake is below the trigger levels mandated in the Bear River Compact which restricts Wyoming storage, please consider this letter notification of how Wyoming plans to utilize its unbuil and transferable carryover Original Compact storage allocations. Wyoming has a total of 5,716 AF to make available to Woodruff Narrows Reservoir to increase their total allowable storage during the 2005 runoff season as follows:

Wyoming's unbuil Original Compact	4,318 AF
Transferable from Whitney Reservoir	568
Transferable from Sulphur Creek Res.	<u>830</u>
TOTAL	5,716 AF

I am attaching the preliminary worksheet that Don Barnett had developed for the November 16, 2004 Technical Advisory Committee meeting. The allocations listed above are the same as in Don's worksheet. The only change I would propose to his worksheet is to decrease the estimated Chevron Use to 40 AF, rather than the 47 AF that was used in 2003. The quarterly reports that we receive from Chevron show their use decreasing slightly.

Wyoming makes these storage allocations with full confidence that Wyoming and Utah will be able to repeat last season's informal allocation of natural flow by Compact-named source and percentages while filling Woodruff Narrows Reservoir and also Whitney Reservoir. If this informal arrangement is not repeated, Wyoming may reassess these allocations and reduce the transfer described above to Woodruff by any capacity left unfilled in Whitney.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding these allocations.

With best regards,



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Upstream Storage Reservoirs
2005 Storage Restrictions
March 25, 2005

Woodruff Narrows Reservoir

October 1, 2004 - Beginning Contents	6,681
Original Compact Storage Allocation	
Wyoming	3,250
Utah	15,240
One-Time Original Compact Storage Allocation Transfer to Woodruff Narrows	
from Whitney Reservoir (Wyoming)	568
from Sulphur Creek (Wyoming)	830
from Wyoming's Unbuilt Allocation (Wyoming)	4,318
from Grassy Lake (Hatch Reservoir) (Utah)	350
Chevron's Uses (Oct - May, est. from 2004)	-40
Total Allowable 2005 Storage	31,197
	(37.1' on staff gage)

Sulphur Creek Reservoir

October 1, 2004 - Beginning Contents	14,890
Original Compact Storage Allocation (Wyoming)	5,715
One-Time Original Compact Storage Allocation Transfer out of Sulphur	
Creek to Woodruff Narrows	-830
Total Allowable 2005 Storage	19,775
	(full capacity)

Whitney Reservoir

October 1, 2004 - Beginning Contents	568
Original Compact Storage Allocation (Wyoming)	4,200
One-Time Original Compact Storage Allocation Transfer out of Whitney	-568
Total Allowable 2005 Storage	4,200
	(full capacity)