

July 26, 1934

Mr. J.W. Morrison,  
Mt. Carmel, Utah

RE : LONG VALLEY DIST.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 12 asking for information relative to acquiring a right to water from the Rio Virgin for culinary and service station purpose. Answer thereto has been delayed pending a field examination by a member of this office.

From a report made by Mr. Reid Jerman, Chief Deputy State Engineer, it appears that all the water of the Rio Virgin in Long Valley has been appropriated and decreed, except for perhaps some water in the flood season. For this reason, an application through the State Engineer for water would allow you only use for a very limited time.

There is no way provided for the State Engineer or anyone else to allow you water which belongs to prior appropriators. It would appear therefore, that the only way for you to acquire title would be by purchase or through rental from someone holding a prior right for water for your home and service station if same is desired for a longer period than during the high water season in the spring.

Yours very truly,

T.H. Humpherys,  
STATE ENGINEER