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BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

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Salt Lake City, Utah  
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Mr. T. H. Humpherys, State Engineer  
Capitol Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Humpherys:

In studying the problem of the proper allocation of the costs of the rehabilitation of Scofield Dam to the various interests which may participate in that reservoir under the plans proposed in our Price River-Gooseberry project report, the question immediately arises as to what part of the cost, if any, the Price River interests may be expected to bear.

Our understanding of the situation at Scofield Reservoir is that subsequent to the partial failure of the dam in 1928, the State Engineer has limited storage in the reservoir to 30,000 acre feet. That amount of water is probably all that the Price River areas require, so that if the State Engineer is willing that the reservoir be operated permanently on that restricted basis, the Price River interests can hardly be expected to share in the costs of any works which might be built here.

On the other hand, if the State Engineer will require, in the near future, that extensive repairs be made in the dam, then, in our cost estimates, appropriate allocation of the costs of the rehabilitation may be made to the Price River areas.

An early answer will be appreciated, since cost estimates on the Scofield Dam have just been received, and, as you know, we are anxious that no time be lost in issuing the report.

Very truly yours,

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