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Mr. Justice Jorgensen
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Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

Per your request, please find enclosed a revised assessment for the 2011 irrigation season. I understand the 2011 high water washed out Wilsonville's measuring device along with much of the diversion structure. The River Commissioner therefore, estimated the Wilsonville diversion for the season at 4,000 AF. 4,000 AF is considerably more than has been diverted in recent years and the resulting assessment was correspondingly high.

At your request we have reviewed water use at Wilsonville over the previous five years and made our best effort to fairly estimate 2011 water use.

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	Average
Wilsonville AF	1,642	2,329	2,599	2,086	3,096	2,350
Cottonwood Creek Users AF	60,434	65,722	72,197	53,486	73,165	65,001
Wilsonville % of total water use	2.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.9%	4.2%	3.6%

Cottonwood Creek Users diverted a total of 83,337 AF in 2011. Over the 2006 – 2010 irrigation seasons Wilsonville's diversion averaged 3.6% of the total amount diverted by all users. If we estimate Wilsonville's 2011 portion at 3.6%, the average over the previous 5 years, which would be 3,000 AF.

With the new estimated diversion of 3,000 AF the assessment is reduced 25% from \$1,200 to \$900. A copy of the revised assessment is enclosed for which payment is respectfully requested.

If you have further questions, please contact me by phone at 801-538-7431 or by e-mail at SusanOdekirk@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Sue Odekirk, P.E.
Cottonwood Creek Distribution System Engineer

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