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ASSIGNMENT OF WATER RIGHTS

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made this 26th day of January, 1962, by the COLORADO RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, organized under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, Assignor, herein styled the District, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Department of the Interior, Assignee, herein styled the United States,

WHEREAS, the United States of America is initiating construction of the Curecanti Unit, a unit of the Colorado River Storage Project, for the purpose, among others, of stabilizing the flows of the Colorado River in order to permit the Upper Basin States to more fully utilize their allocation of the river waters, as set forth in the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact.

WHEREAS, the District has obtained conditionally decreed water rights for said Unit for the purpose of assisting in the development of said Curecanti Unit, and of making provision for development, within the District, of the water resources of the Gunnison River and tributaries in accordance with the responsibilities of the District, provided in Chapter 149, Article 8, Colo. Rev. Stats. 1953.

NOW, THEREFORE, The District, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and for other good and valuable consideration, does hereby assign, set over and transfer unto the United States, all of the right, title, interest, claim and priority of the District in and to the following described decrees and conditional priorities

and the waters represented thereby:

Decree in the Matter of the Adjudication of Priorities for Water Rights in Water District No. 62 in the State of Colorado, Civil Action 6981, recorded in Montrose County, Colorado, March 30, 1960, in Book 27, Page 293, to-wit:

DITCH OR PROJECT NO. 282	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 445 Crystal Reservoir Storage.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 446 Crystal Power Plant Direct Flow.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY No. 447 Blue Mesa Reservoir Storage.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY No. 448 Blue Mesa Power Plant Direct Flow
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY No. 449 Morrow Point Reservoir Storage.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY No. 450 Morrow Point Power Plant Direct

Decree in the Matter of the Adjudication of Priorities for Water Rights in Water District No. 59 in the State of Colorado, Civil Action 5590, recorded in Gunnison County, Colorado, January 27, 1961, in Judgment Book No. C, Page 317, to-wit:

THE CURECANTI UNIT	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 565 Blue Mesa Reservoir Storage.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 566 Blue Mesa Power Plant Direct Flow
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 567 Morrow Point Reservoir Storage.
	CONDITIONAL PRIORITY NO. 568 Morrow Point Power Plant Direct Flow.

This assignment is made by the District and accepted by the United States upon the condition that the water rights assigned will be utilized for the development and operation of the Curecanti Unit in a manner consistent with the development of water resources for beneficial use in the natural basin of the Gunnison River.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the District has caused this Assignment to be executed the day and year first above written.

THE COLORADO RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By /s/ A. Allen Brown  
President

ATTEST:

/s/ Philip P. Smith  
Secretary

STATE OF COLORADO,     )  
                                  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF GARFIELD.    )

On the 26 day of January, 1962, personally appeared before me A. Allen Brown and Philip P. Smith, who being by me duly sworn did say that they are the duly appointed, qualified and acting President and Secretary, respectively, in and for the Colorado River Water Conservation District of the State of Colorado, and that the within and foregoing instrument was signed in behalf of said District by authority of a resolution of the Board of Directors of said Colorado River Water Conservation District, and the said District executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.

(SEAL)

/s/ Edith B. Williams  
Notary Public  
Residing at Glenwood Springs, Colo.  
State of Colorado

My Commission Expires:  
Oct. 23, 1965.