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The Right Honourable Herb Gray, P.C., Q.C., C.C.
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Dear Mr. Gray:

Thank you for your letter and enclosure of November 25, 2003. I appreciate your sending me a copy of your letter to Governor Martz.

Yours sincerely,

Lorne Calvert
Premier

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Le très hon. Herb Gray, C.P., C.C., C.R.
Président, Section canadienne

November 25, 2003

The Honourable Lorne Calvert
Premier of Saskatchewan
Room 226, Legislative Building
Regina, Saskatchewan
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Dear Premier Calvert:

Further to my letter of June 12, 2003, and your reply of July 15, 2003, concerning the request from Governor Martz of Montana to review its 1921 Order for the St. Mary Milk Rivers in Montana, Alberta and Saskatchewan, please find enclosed a copy of a further letter that Chair Schornack and I have sent to Governor Martz.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Herb Gray, P.C., C.C., Q.C.
Chair, Canadian Section

Enclosure



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June 12, 2003

The Honorable Judy Martz
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Dear Governor Martz:

This letter is in further response to your letter of April 10, 2003, asking us to review our 1921 Order for the St. Mary and Milk Rivers in Montana, Alberta, and Saskatchewan.

As you know, the Commission has committed to reviewing Orders over which it has continuing jurisdiction. It has already conducted such reviews in the St. Croix River and Rainy Lake basins, is currently conducting reviews in the Lake Ontario - St. Lawrence River basin and for Duck Lake, and is planning to conduct a review for the Upper Great Lakes, pending funding. These reviews have allowed the Commission to consider such things as changed conditions and new interests, scientific and technical advances since the Order, and potential climate change and variability. Small reviews have been conducted with Commission-supplied funding and focused agency support, while larger reviews have required funding supplied jointly by the two governments and broader agency support. Of the two completed reviews, one resulted in a change to the Commission's Orders, while the other did not.

The Commission is exploring whether or not to conduct a review of its 1921 Order, as requested. As part of that process, we plan to be in contact with key officials in both countries. We intend, through these initial contacts, to gain a more fulsome understanding of issues and concerns, as well as likely resource requirements should the Commission decide to undertake a review. We will keep you informed of our progress and findings.

Similar letters, along with a copy of your April 10, 2003 letter, are being sent to the U.S. Secretary of State, the Canadian Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Premiers of Alberta and Saskatchewan, and the two Accredited Officers. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to have your staff contact us.

Sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Herb Gray, P.C., Q.C.
Chair, Canadian Section

The Hon. Dennis L. Schornack
Chair, United States Section

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International Joint Commission
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OTTAWA ON K1P 6K6

Dear Mr. Gray and Mr. Schornack:

Thank you for your June 12, 2003, letter and copy of Governor Martz's letter of April 10, 2003. I appreciate your keeping me updated in this way, and I have passed along a copy of your correspondence to the appropriate Saskatchewan Government officials for their information.

Yours sincerely,

Lorne Calvert
Premier

cc: Honourable Eldon Lautermilch
Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs

Honourable Buckley Belanger
Minister of Environment

Honourable Ron Osika
Minister of Government Relations