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The Hon. Dennis L. Schornack
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Dear Mr. Schornack:

This is in response to your letter to Secretary Powell dated November 8, 2004 regarding the need to obtain a more comprehensive accounting of the amount of water covered by Section IV of the IJC's 1921 Order for the apportionment of the waters of the St. Mary and Milk Rivers.

We have forwarded your letter to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and asked whether it either has this information or can obtain it. We will update the International Joint Commission when a response is received. The Department of State is mindful of the IJC's February 2005 target date.

Sincerely,

Terry A. Breese
Director
Office of Canadian Affairs