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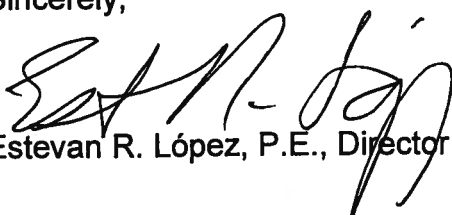
Dear Senator Domenici:

Thank you for your letter dated February 3, 2005, regarding the settlement of the Navajo Nation's claims in the San Juan Basin. The Office of the State Engineer and Interstate Stream Commission staff are working diligently to compile the information you have requested and we are looking forward to meeting with your staff in late March.

In addition, we are open to trying to resolve the current dispute with any San Juan-Chama Project contractors who are interested in meeting with us. We are continuing to meet with some of the contractors and we hope to be able to further clarify the benefits and mechanics of the settlement.

We appreciate your continued support and interest regarding this important issue. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

  
Estevan R. López, P.E., Director

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