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Re: IID, SDWA  
Subject: Long-Term Transfer Agreement

Dear Victoria:

At this time I would like to personally file a petition for reconsideration on the matter regarding the water transfer agreement reached on October 28, 2002.

First off it is the belief of the Metropolitan Water District (M.W.D.) and the San Diego County Water Authority (S.D.C.W.A.) that the Imperial Irrigation District (I.I.D.) is the lone voice of the water rights in the Imperial Valley. Upon close examination, you will find that the true and protected water rights belong to the control of the "Land Owner". With this in mind any and all negotiations should proceed with the land owners, especially since they have never surrendered those rights to anyone nor have they granted any authority of those specific rights to any party to watch over.

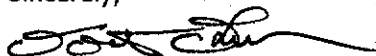
Secondly, it is my understanding that the proceedings were conducted in a fashion which had total disregard for any type of open and equitable negotiations. Speaker Emeritus Robert Hertzberg was dictating terms of the agreement to those representing the Imperial Irrigation District. Basically they were being spoon fed the terms with a "Jack Hammer"

The proceedings which led to the tentative agreement were anything but fair. The terms are below market values and puts the community of the Imperial Valley in a losing position.

I believe a water transfer agreement could become a workable deal. If the terms were fair for both sides a deal could be derived. But when the Imperial County is dictated such a coercive deal they have no other option than to decline.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Sincerely,



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