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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

August 16, 2011

Re: Sabine River Compact Commission

Dear Water Right Holder:

Drought conditions continue to be widespread across the state. As you are aware, your Certificate of Adjudication is subject to the terms and conditions of the Sabine River Compact which divides the water between the states of Texas and Louisiana.

The compact requires that when the flow at the State line drops below a specified rate, reservoirs constructed after January 1, 1953 shall be liable for their share to provide the minimum flow at the State line based on their respective drainage areas.

Due to the ongoing extreme drought conditions, it may become necessary to require releases from your reservoirs to provide this minimum flow.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality will monitor stream conditions closely and will notify you should these releases be required.

Should you have any questions, please contact Herman Settemeyer at (512) 695-4275.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zak Covar".

Zak Covar
Deputy Executive Director