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DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES

RE: 2013 Inflows to Harlan County Lake
Sent Via Mail and Email

Dear Mr. Thompson,

The State of Kansas takes note of the State of Nebraska's Compact Call Year Storage Release Order and of Nebraska's Storage Release Notice (together "Orders"), both issued and effective April 1, 2013. The Orders, as I understand them, require that all water impounded since January 1, 2013 in Swanson Lake, Enders Reservoir, Hugh Butler Lake, and Harry Strunk Lake (together "Upper Basin Reservoirs") is to be evacuated from those facilities by April 30, 2013. Furthermore, the Orders state that any inflows into the above-named facilities cannot be stored, and continue to be subject to Nebraska's closing notices issued in 2012.

Kansas respectfully requests that Reclamation determine and contemporaneously account for the water that, but for the releases from the Upper Basin Reservoirs pursuant to the Orders or any future orders from Nebraska, and but for the continued closing notices, has or would have accrued to the inflows of Harlan County Lake in 2013. Kansas additionally requests that such accounting be reported timely after the current and any subsequent release events and no less frequently than monthly.

If there is any assistance that Kansas can provide in regards to these accounting requests, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of Kansas' requests.

Sincerely,

David W. Barfield
Chief Engineer, State of Kansas
Kansas Commissioner
Republican River Compact Administration

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