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From: Scott, Craig D
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Accounting for 2007 was not finalized because of the disputes over the accounting procedures (HCL evap split, non-federal evap below HCL). The states agreed to exchange data but not finalize the accounting. If all disputes are agreed upon, accounting for 2008 would not be finalized until Aug 2009.. Arbitration was initated following the water short years 2005 and 2006.

Craig

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Marv, please see the comments below and see if you or Craig can incorporate them.

From: Petersen, Lois Ann
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M. Ryan has some questions plus some suggestions on this one:

Current status mentions 2005 & 2006; what about 2007 and 2008?

The Position of Interested Parties - What are NE, KS, and/or CO's position?

Can part of the Background point be deleted? (or at least condensed-Ann's thought)

He also wanted to see these points:
-Compact allocates water
-Federal project designed on the foundation of state compliance
-Groundwater development exploded, especially in Nebraska...Colorado to a lesser extent.
-Kansas gets groundwater included in the accounting (FSS)
-Nebraska & Colorado not in compliance
-Groundwater "economics" make compliance solution politically untenable

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Mike is going to giving this briefing paper to Commissioner Connor for a powerpoint presentation we hopefully have time to give him while he's in Colorado for the Western Water Law conference. He'll be back in the office on Monday, so if I could have a revised briefing paper by Friday afternoon?

Thanks,

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