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September 16, 1996

Captain M. R. Johnson
Commander
Department of the Navy
Southwest Division
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
1220 Pacific Highway
San Diego, CA 92132-5190

Dear Captain Johnson:

Orange County Water District is in receipt of your September 4, 1996 letter. We appreciate your transmittal of the executed Settlement Agreement and check for past costs associated with well ET-1, and we are encouraged by the Department of Navy's willingness to refocus efforts on sharing in the construction and operation of the Irvine Desalter Project.

We are reviewing DON's participation proposal for the desalter project carefully and will provide you with a response shortly.

Sincerely yours,

William R. Mills Jr., P.E.
General Manager

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