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FAXOGRAM: Water Order Change

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From: Reservoir and River Operations, Billings, Montana

Subject: Canyon Ferry Water Release Order - CFR No. 06-05

CURRENT RESERVOIR CONDITIONS:

Elevation: 3781.56; Storage: 1,403,903 acre-feet; River Release: 4,050 cfs; Inflow: 3,465 cfs;

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Snowpack in the Missouri River Basin upstream of Canyon Ferry is nearly 120 percent of average. With the good snowpack and storage at nearly 90 percent of average, the February water supply forecast indicates an increase in releases to the Missouri River is required. As a result, the following operation is required at Canyon Ferry Dam and Powerplant.

CANYON FERRY RELEASES AND OPERATIONS: All times are Mountain Standard Time (MST)

At 0100 hour on Tuesday, February 7, 2006:

Maintain releases through the river outlet gates at 0 cfs. Maintain releases through the spillway gates at 0 cfs. Increase turbine releases to 4,500 cfs (\approx 1,050 MW-Hrs/day using 102.8 cfs/mw). Maintain releases for Helena Valley Project at 0 cfs. Increase average daily release to the Missouri River to about 4,500 cfs. Increase average total release from Canyon Ferry to about 4,500 cfs.

/S/ Tim H. Felchle