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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. 07-27

CURRENT RESERVOIR CONDITIONS:

Elevation: 3789.46; Storage: 1,646,396 acre-feet; River Release: 3,240 cfs; Inflow: 1,185 cfs;

GENERAL COMMENTS:

In response to reduced irrigation demands, Helena Valley Irrigation District plans to decrease diversions to Helena Valley Reservoir. With inflows to Canyon Ferry at near record low levels, turbine releases will also be reduced to continue conserving storage in Canyon Ferry. In response, the following operation change are required at Canyon Ferry Dam and Powerplant.

CANYON FERRY RELEASES AND OPERATIONS: All times are Mountain Daylight Savings Time (MDST)

At 0900 hour on Tuesday, August 21, 2007:

Maintain releases through the river outlet gates at 0 cfs.

Maintain releases through the spillway gates at 0 cfs.

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Decrease turbine releases to 3,200 cfs (≈ 785 MW-Hrs/day using 97.8 cfs/mw).

Increase releases for Helena Valley Project to 655 cfs (315 cfs pumped to Helena Valley and

340 cfs discharged to the Missouri River).

Decrease average daily release to the Missouri River to about 3,540 cfs. Decrease average total release from Canyon Ferry to about 3,855 cfs.

/S/ Tim H. Felchle