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Dear Sir and Madam,

I refer to your request for arbitration of January 19, 2005.

In this connection, we ask that you provide us with the following information and/or documentation:

1. Authorizations for you to act on behalf of each of the persons identified as claimants in your request for arbitration.
2. The agreement required by Article 1125 of the NAFTA.
3. Copy of the notice of intent for N.H Kitayama, Bernadette M. Oeser and Timothy Reid. These three persons do not appear listed in the notice of intent attached to the request for arbitration.

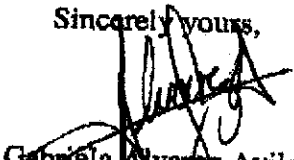
We further ask that you explain to us:

1. In which capacity the persons were acting when signig the "Consent to Arbitration and Waiver" as well as the "Verification of Authorization for Notice of Arbitration" on behalf of Bayview Irrigation District # 11, Cameron County Irrigation District # 2, Delta Lake Irrigation District, Hidalgo County Irrigation District # 1, W.G. Bell Jr. Trust, Capote Farms, Ltd., Electric Gin Company of San Benito and Theimer Trust.

2. The title given under the signature of Ms. Julie G. Uhlhorn in the "Consent to Arbitration and Waiver".
3. The legal status of the Irrigation Districts, Trusts and Estates mentioned in the request for arbitration, considering that they would need to qualify either as natural persons or juridical persons.
4. The compliance of the investment described in the request for arbitration with Article 1101(1) of the NAFTA.

Finally, we ask that you comply with the requirements set forth in Article 4(1) of the Additional Facility Rules, pursuant to which any agreement providing for arbitration proceedings requires the approval of the Secretary-General.

Sincerely yours,



Gabriela Alvarez Avila
Senior Counsel

cc:

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