STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

In the Matter of Water Administration of the Republican River Basin	)))	ORDER COMPACT CALL YEAR STORAGE RELEASE
Water Division 1-B		

The above entitled matter came for consideration before the Director of the Department of Natural Resources on his own motion. The Director FINDS:

1. On January 1, 2013, the Department issued a COMPACT CALL for the Republican River at Guide Rock to carry out administration for the Republican River Compact.

2. The owners and operators of surface water reservoirs with storage appropriations subject to the Compact Call received a CLOSING NOTICE effective January 1, 2013, and remain closed until further notice by the Department.

3. Any water captured and impounded after January 1, 2013, ("2013 Compact Water") in a reservoir that received a CLOSING NOTICE is subject to release upon notification by an official of the Department of Natural Resources ("STORAGE RELEASE NOTICE").

Therefore, as yearly administration is still needed to ensure Compact compliance and based on the foregoing and for good cause, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That any water in the Republican River Basin impounded between January 1, 2013, and April 30, 2013, shall be released.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

All additional inflow remains subject to the Department's CLOSING NOTICES.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That a STORAGE RELEASE NOTICE shall be sent immediately, along with a copy of this Order, to all appropriators who received a Compact Call Year Notice and have impounded 2013 Compact Water that has not been previously released.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That this Order shall not preclude the diversion and subsequent use of water stored prior to January 1, 2013.

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April 30, 2013

Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E., Director