

area and maintain the third division irrigation system, in addition to its regular operation and maintenance of the first and second divisions of the project.

If Midvale were enlarged to include the lands of the third division, the district would have the ability to better equip itself with machinery and maintain qualified management and employees without increasing the assessments to the individual farmers since these costs would be shared by the lands of the third division petitioned into the district.

Mr. Roy Reid, manager of the Midvale Irrigation District, will deal in some detail with the actual costs of operation and maintenance of Midvale alone, and including third division.

Subsection 2(a) of S. 670 would authorize the Secretary to replace all existing repayment contracts by a single amendatory repayment contract with Midvale Irrigation District. The Midvale Irrigation District would be the one contracting organization representing the entire Riverton unit. We believe that Midvale's past payment performance on its various repayment contracts exhibits the district's fiscal responsibility.

Since its original contract with the United States dated February 12, 1931, the district has an unblemished record of paying the annual construction charges called for each year. The district has paid the Government a total sum of \$1,222,104.68 pursuant to its various repayment contracts. I would like to introduce at this time for the record an exhibit showing the amounts paid by Midvale Irrigation District to the Government each year and the total amount repaid to date.

That exhibit, Mr. Chairman, is attached to my statement.

Senator HANSEN. If I could interrupt for just a moment, Mr. White, let me say that your statement will be included in full in the record, and I suspect maybe that in light of Commissioner Dominy's presentation this morning, perhaps in the interests of time we could save some time if you would be willing to have your statement included in the record. I note that Senator Jordan is with us and anticipating that there may be some rolleall votes later this afternoon, and not knowing just when those votes may be taken, could I suggest, with the understanding that your statement will be in the record, that you make any other observations, if you have any that you would like to make; or if not, perhaps at this time we might see the slides that you mentioned earlier.

Mr. WHITE. That would be very good, Mr. Chairman, with your understanding, then, I will introduce my statement into the record, and make one comment, if I may, on the statement, and that is with respect to—

Senator HANSEN. Let me add this before you go further, to say if you would like to summarize, or if there are any points that you would care to emphasize, it will all be in the record, but I appreciate that perhaps you might like to call particular attention to something, and if that is the case, why please feel free to do so.

We are not trying to deny you the opportunity. I know you have come a long way. And we appreciate having you here. I was just thinking that we might get called out of here, and I wanted to have Senator Jordan and myself given the opportunity to hear from each person, and it could get kind of busy this afternoon.