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Dear Shela:

I wish to bring to your attention a matter concerning Ex. 6 who has encountered a problem in regards to obtaining a permit for Paria Canyon.

Because the situation is under your jurisdiction, I am respectfully referring this matter to you for consideration. I feel that this issue would be better addressed by you and request that you respond directly to Ex. 6 at: Ex. 6.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John McCain
United States Senator

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Enclosure(s)

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Snapshot Report: Incoming Constituent Message

Report Date: 10/13/2005

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Staff: dnm
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Message Body:

Sen. McCain,

First off, I wanted to thank you for your many stands in defence of the environment.

I have been trying to get a permit online from the BLM for hiking in Paria Canyon running from Utah into the Lee's Ferry area. It has been over four months since the homeland security folks shut down their excellent website. On-line permit issuance to this area is now and has been at a virtual standstill. This necessitates a drive to Kanab, Utah, to pick up the permits... making it very hard for Arizona hikers to enjoy their own National Monument.
 This not serving the public good!

Please use your considerable influence to bring back this agency's fine on-line permit system that serves equally all of its interested parties so well.

Please let me know what can and will be done.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ex. 6



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In Reply Refer To:
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December 2, 2005

Ex. 6

Dear Ex. 6:

This is in response to your email dated October 13, 2005, submitted to Senator McCain, expressing concern regarding the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) websites being down. His office has requested that we reply directly to you.

We sincerely regret that many of our sites have been unavailable to members of the public, including the Paria Canyon on-line permit system. The agency made the decision to disconnect its entire web presence after identifying potential vulnerabilities in the system's security. The BLM worked to address these problems and has been reconnecting sites as corrective action is completed. We were able to make the agency's national website available to the public again and are using it to host a variety of information used in making land management decisions. The Arizona BLM website completed a final security test by a third party contractor, and the corrective actions required for the site were completed. We are pleased to inform you that the Arizona BLM website was reconnected for public access on Wednesday, November 9, 2005. On-line permits for Paria Canyon will be available beginning December 1, 2005, for the months of December through March.

We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your patience.

Sincerely,

/ s / Joanie Losacco / /

Elaine Y. Zielinski
State Director

cc: Senator McCain's Tucson Office

Ex. 6 :djj:11/28/05