REPORT THE SINDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE PUEBLO OF LAGUNA, ET AL.,) Docket No. 227
PUEBLO DE ACOMA) Docket No. 266
THE NAVAJO TRIBE OF INDIANS,) Docket No. 229
Petitioners,	<u>}</u>
v.	}
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Defendant.)

ORDER AMENDING OPINION

Petitioner in Docket No. 227, the Pueblo of Laguna, filed with the Commission a "Motion to Strike" March 24, 1967, to which defendant replied March 31, 1967. In this motion petitioner requested the Commission to strike certain portions of its findings and opinion or in the alternative to vacate "... the aforesaid passages of the finding and opinion, so as to allow petitioners to present expert witnesses to testify regarding the value of the lands irrigated area as a part of the value as a whole of the lands taken."

It was never intended by the Commission that the "aforesaid passages" in the finding and opinion would have the effect of foreclosing petitioner from presenting expert witnesses to testify regarding the value of any lands taken, irrigated or otherwise. However, so that there may be no mistake as to the effect of the Commission's finding and opinion on this matter and upon consideration of petitioner's Motion to Strike and defendant's response thereto, it is hereby ordered that the statement "We have, therefore, denied recovery on this part of the claim" on page 33 of the opinion, be and the same hereby is, stricken.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 20th day of April, 1967.

Arthur V. Watkins
Commissioner
Wm. M. Holt
Commissioner
T. Harold Scott
Commissioner