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To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain facilities at the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation District, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CRAIG introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 SECTION 1. (a) The Secretary of the Interior (herein-
4 after referred to as the “Secretary”) is authorized to
5 transfer all right, title, and interest of the United States
6 in and to canals, drains, laterals, pumps, properties and
7 withdrawn or acquired lands and roads, together with as-
8 sociated rights-of-way, of the Minidoka project to and
9 within the service area of the Burley Irrigation District
10 (hereinafter referred to as the “District”) for which the

1 allocable construction costs have been fully repaid, without
2 compensation, to the District.

3 (b) The Secretary shall also transfer to the District,
4 in accordance with and subject to State law, any water
5 rights held by the Secretary for the benefit of the District
6 and shall provide the District with a permanent allocation
7 of storage space at Minidoka Dam, American Falls, and
8 Palisades in accordance with the terms of the existing con-
9 tracts and subject to the requirement that the District
10 continue to assume the allocable costs of operation and
11 maintenance associated with such storage rights.

12 (c) The Secretary shall also provide the District with
13 a permanent right to project power from the Minidoka,
14 Palisades, Black Canyon, and Anderson Ranch power
15 plants at the cost of production in accordance with the
16 understandings and commitments made by the Secretary
17 in acquiring such plants and the existing contracts for
18 such power. At the request of the District, the Secretary
19 is further authorized to transfer such plants to the Dis-
20 trict at such reasonable cost and subject to such terms
21 and conditions as may be mutually agreed between the
22 District and the Secretary.

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