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WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



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Dams represent an important asset, although sometimes not adequately recognized. It is the prudent practice that guides the prudent world of today through exceptional conditions, that guide us to New Orleans and other American cities last summer. On the rugged and the importance of the dam as a barrier to the irregularly rising seas is critical to ensuring the well-being and safety of a whole, and it is indisputable that dams have always played a central role in alleviating the dramatic effects of floods, increasing food production, increasing navigation, providing electric power, and providing drinking water in the dry. In the past, the world has been evaluating many aspects of human activities under the new paradigm of the environment and environmental considerations and sustainability development. Dams have also been subjected to this scrutiny and some cases of dam operations have been used to illustrate the use of dam as general. It is considered that it is not acceptable, and that these operations should be revised as well.

On the other hand, we also see that the opportunity of dam operations has been recognized in the development and improvement of the national social and environmental conditions. In addition, we are eager to take the measures to improve water aspect of a dam (operation) and to plan to improve operations of dam for dam in the world.

The newsletter you have in hand will be published quarterly and I hope it will give you a good idea of the world's contribution to the world through dam building and its power which water provides. In the old days, the dam was mostly used in the high-rising fields.

Beyond that, it is a good idea to have a communication link between the National Commission and the Central Office of the ICOLD as well as to increase the efficiency in the world dam operations. I am particularly pleased by the Chinese committee for writing and preparing, very fine articles and regulations on the subject of dams in the Three Gorges Dam, and we will be glad to continue to work with you on the world dam operations and to be able to help you in the world dam operations and to be able to help you in the world dam operations.



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