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## **ADEQ Director Owens Extends Sympathy to the Family and Colleagues of IBWC Commissioner Carlos Marin**

PHOENIX (Sept. 19, 2008) – On Monday a plane carrying U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission Chairman Carlos Marin, his Mexican counterpart Arturo Herrera, Rio Grande Council of Governments Executive Director Jake Brisbin, Jr. and pilot Matt Juneau was reported missing. On Wednesday crash remains were found near the U.S.-Mexico border. There were no survivors.

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Director Steve Owens today released the following statement:

“It is with great sadness that I extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Commissioner Carlos Marin and to our colleagues at the International Boundary and Water Commission for his untimely and tragic death. This is a great loss, and we will miss him. Through Commissioner Marin’s dedication and support, Arizona border communities benefited from much-needed water infrastructure improvements. Our sympathies also go out to the families of those who also perished in the same accident. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all at this difficult time.”