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# I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

California Water Service Company, City of Lancaster, City of Palmdale, Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, Los Angeles County Water Works District No. 40, Palmdale Water District, Palm Ranch Irrigation District, Quartz Hill Water District, and Rosamond Community Services District (collectively, "Public Water Suppliers") respectfully oppose Tejon Ranchcorp's Motion In Limine for Order Excluding Expert Testimony of (1) Joseph Scalmanini, (2) Kenneth Utley, and (3) Dennis Williams, all of whom have been designated as expert witnesses for the Public Water Suppliers for the Phase 2 trial. Tejon's basis for seeking exclusion of these experts is its claim that the expert declaration included with the Public Water Supplier's expert witness designation was not as specific as Tejon believes is necessary.

Tejon's motion in limine should be denied because (1) the Public Water Suppliers' original expert declaration, as well as their amended expert declaration, each satisfy the requirements of Section 2034.260 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and therefore the expert disclosure was adequate, (2) if the Public Water Suppliers' expert declaration is insufficient, so too is Tejon's, meaning Tejon is incapable of seeking exclusion under Section 2034.300; (3) all three of the experts at issue here were deposed, giving Tejon the opportunity to find out whatever it wanted about the experts' opinions, yet Tejon chose not to attend the depositions, and (4) because the Public Water Suppliers are in a position of rebuttal in Phase 2 of this case regarding whether there are any sub-basins, their experts will necessarily be rebutting the opinions of the experts of other parties, and additional detail regarding those rebuttal opinions is not possible in an expert declaration made before discovering the opinions to be rebutted.

## II. ANALYSIS

# A. The Public Water Suppliers' Expert Declaration Satisfies Section 2034.260

Contrary to Tejon's statement in its memorandum of points and authorities in support of this motion in limine, the Public Water Suppliers did submit a proper expert disclosure under Section 2034.260 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Therefore, no exclusion of their experts is proper under Section 2034.300. Tejon cannot argue that the Public Water Supplier did not provide an expert witness designation, complete with an expert declaration signed by counsel. In

fact, their original designation is attached to Tejon's motion, and Tejon quotes from that declaration in its motion. Further, the Public Water Suppliers supplied an amended declaration on September 18, 2008 to provide additional information in response to Tejon's objections to the adequacy of the original declaration raised in its August 22, 2008 meet-and-confer letter and the instant motion in limine filed seven days later. See Decl. of Jeffrey V. Dunn attached hereto ("Dunn Decl.") at ¶ 3; Ex. "A."

Rather, Tejon appears to complain that the expert declaration is not specific enough as to what opinions the Public Water Suppliers' experts will offer. Specifically, Tejon claims that as to Mr. Scalmanini, the declaration "contains absolutely no expression of [his] opinion, only a vague reference to the substantive areas he will discuss." Tejon's Mem. P. & A. at 5:7-8. Tejon's complaints as to Mr. Utley and Dr. Williams are similar – the declaration does not specify exactly what their opinions are, it only states the substantive areas of their testimony. Without any supporting authority, Tejon argues that this is insufficient, and those experts should be barred from testifying.

Tejon's premise – that Section 2034.260 requires the expert declaration to specify what the expert's opinion will be at trial, rather than specifying generally what the expert will testify to – is erroneous; thus, its argument that the Public Water Suppliers' experts should be excluded from trial because the declaration is insufficient fails. Section 2034.260(c) specifies the requirements for an expert witness declaration. It provides that the declaration shall contain:

- (1) A brief narrative statement of the qualifications of each expert.
- (2) A brief narrative statement of the general substance of the testimony that the expert is expected to give.
- (3) A representation that the expert has agreed to testify at the trial.
- (4) A representation that the expert will be sufficiently familiar with the pending action to submit to a meaningful oral deposition concerning the specific testimony, including any opinion and its basis, that the expert is expected to give at trial.
- (5) A statement of the expert's hourly and daily fee for providing deposition testimony and for consulting with the retaining attorney.

Cal. Civ. Proc. Code § 2034.260(c) (emphasis added).

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By its own terms, Section 2034.260 does not require that the declaration specify what the experts opinions will be, merely what the "general substance" of the testimony will be. Tejon has supplied no authority in its motion for its proposition that the declaration must detail what opinion the expert will give. Bonds v. Roy, 20 Cal. 4th 140 (1999) dealt with a situation where the expert was not permitted to testify at trial on a different subject matter than what he was disclosed to testify to in the expert declaration. The Court stated there that "[w]hen an expert is permitted to testify at trial on a wholly undisclosed subject area, opposing parties . . . lack a fair opportunity to prepare for cross-examination or rebuttal." 20 Cal. 4th at 147 (emphasis added). Earlier caselaw buttresses that the expert declaration (which is, after all, prepared and signed by counsel, not the expert), need only specify the subject matter or area of the expert's testimony, not specifically what opinion(s) the expert will render. In Sprague v. Equifax, 166 Cal. App. 3d 1012 (1985), the Court held that a disclosure that a party's expert "would testify to the medical care and treatment rendered to plaintiff as well as [his] diagnoses and prognoses of plaintiff's physical condition" satisfied the statutory requirement that the disclosing party disclose "the general substance of the testimony which the witness is expected to give." See 166 Cal. App 3d at 1040. Such a disclosure did not specify what the expert's opinion was, just what subject matters he would opine on - the expert would give his diagnoses and prognoses of Plaintiff's physical condition, but there was no indication of what those diagnoses or prognoses were.

Thus the "general substance" of an expert's expected testimony that must be disclosed in the expert declaration does not necessarily include the actual opinion the expert will render, as Tejon argues for here. In fact, the language of Section 2034.260 itself shows that the expert deposition, not counsel's expert declaration in the disclosure, is where the expert's actual opinion must be disclosed. Section 2034.260(c)(4) requires that the declaration contain a representation that the expert will be sufficiently familiar with the case to give a deposition concerning "the specific testimony, including any opinion and its basis, that the expert is expected to give at trial."

Although <u>Sprague</u> was decided under former Code of Civil Procedure Section 2037.3, the disclosure requirements in that section mirror current Section 2034.260(c)(2) as applicable here. For the text of former section 2037.3, <u>see Kennemur v. State of California</u>, 133 Cal. App. 3d 907, 917 (1982).

(Emphasis added). Accordingly, under the specific language of the statute and the case law interpreting that language, counsel's declaration need only contain a statement of the "general substance" of the expert's testimony; the opportunity to learn the <u>specifics</u> of an expert's testimony, including the expert's opinion and its basis, lies in the expert deposition.

The Public Water Suppliers' expert declarations here contain the "general substance" of their experts' testimony. As to Mr. Scalmanini, the original declaration states the three "substantive areas" of his testimony, specifically (1) the Antelope Valley, including its physical setting and its area of adjudication, (2) the general geology of the area and the occurrence of groundwater in the [adjudication area], and his opinions regarding the nature of geologic formations and aquifer materials and the effects of geologic features on the occurrence and movement of groundwater and on the effects of groundwater extraction, and (3) the existence, if any, of sub-basins within the adjudication area. See Aug. 14, 2008 Decl. of Douglas J. Evertz ("Evertz Decl.") at ¶ 3(a) (attached to Tejon's moving papers). Though not necessary, this description was buttressed in Mr. Evertz's Amended Declaration, which added that Mr. Scalmanini will testify to his opinion that there are no hydrogeologically separate sub-basins within the adjudication area. See Sept. 18, 2008 Amended Decl. of Douglas J. Evertz ("Amended Evertz Decl.") (attached here as Ex. "A" to the Dunn Decl.) at ¶ 7(a)(3).

As to Mr. Utley, the original declaration specified that the general substance of his testimony as "the general geology of the area of the occurrence of groundwater in the [adjudication area], including his opinions regarding the nature of geologic formations and aquifer materials, and the effects of geologic features on the occurrence and movement of groundwater." Evertz Decl. at ¶ 3(b). The amended declaration added the clarification that Mr. Utley's testimony is introductory to and supportive of the ultimate opinion of Mr. Scalmanini." Amended Evertz Decl. at ¶7(b). Finally, the original and amended expert declarations notify all parties that Dr. Williams may be called to opine on the opinions of other experts in the case, including as a rebuttal witness on the question of the existence of sub-basins. Evertz Decl. at ¶ 3(c); Amended Evertz Decl. at ¶ 7(c).

These descriptions are no less informative about the subject matter of the experts' testimony that the description in <u>Sprague</u> that the doctor would testify to "the medical care and treatment rendered to plaintiff as well as [his] diagnoses and prognoses of plaintiff's condition" which the Court held to be an adequate disclosure of the "general substance" of the expert's testimony. While the experts' exact opinions are not specified in the declarations, that is not required. Discovery of an expert's specific testimony, including the opinion and its basis, is the subject of the expert's deposition. As discussed below, all of the Public Water Suppliers' experts were made available for deposition, and were deposed. The expert witness disclosure was adequate and Tejon's motion <u>in limine</u> should be denied.

B. If The Public Water Suppliers' Expert Declaration Does Not Comply With

Section 2034.260, Neither Does Tejon's, And Therefore Tejon May Not Seek

Exclusion Under Section 2034.300

Even assuming, <u>arguendo</u>, that Section 2034.260 did require the Public Water Suppliers to disclose their experts' exact opinions in the expert declaration as Tejon argues, and therefore the Public Water Suppliers' expert declarations are insufficient, exclusion here would nevertheless still be inappropriate. Section 2034.300, under which Tejon brings this motion <u>in limine</u> to exclude the Public Water Suppliers' experts, permits only a party "who has made a complete and timely compliance with Section 2034.260" to object to another party's expert disclosure and seek exclusion of their expert witnesses. <u>See</u> Cal. Civ. Proc. Code § 2034.300.

If the Public Water Suppliers' expert declaration is insufficient, so too is Tejon's. Tejon made its expert witness disclosures on August 15, 2008 by posting its "Exchange of Expert Information" on the Court's website in this case. See Dunn Decl. at ¶ 4; Ex. "B." Therein, Tejon's counsel identifies Dr. E. John List and Richard Rhone as Tejon's experts in this case. As to Dr. List, Tejon's counsel states, in pertinent part, "Mr. List will testify regarding the following issues: (i) The characteristics of the Antelope Valley Groundwater Basin and, in particular, the West Antelope Valley Sub-Basin." As to Mr. Rhone, counsel states he "will testify regarding the

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following issues: (i) The characteristics of the Antelope Valley Groundwater Basin and, in particular, the West Antelope Valley Sub-Basin." Id.

Applying the standard Tejon advocates for in judging the Public Water Suppliers' expert declarations to Tejon's own expert declaration reveals that Tejon's declaration is similarly, if not more, deficient than is the Public Water Suppliers' declaration. If that standard applies, Tejon itself has not complied with the requirements of Section 2034.260 and therefore is ineligible to raise any objection under Section 2034.300 to exclude any party's experts.

## C. Each Of The Public Water Suppliers' Experts Were Deposed, So Tejon Had **Ample Opportunity To Discover Their Opinions**

As noted above, Section 2034.260 provides only that the "general substance" of an expert's testimony be disclosed within counsel's declaration as part of the expert disclosure. The opportunity for discovery of the specifics of an expert's testimony, including his or her opinion and its basis, is at the expert's deposition. The ability to take an expert's deposition is the Code of Civil Procedure's answer to the problem of the "sporting theory of litigation" Tejon discusses in its motion.

All three of the Public Water Suppliers' experts for Phase 2 of trial were made available and deposed in this case, and each stated his opinion in deposition that the so called bedrock barrier should not be utilized to create a separate basin. Mr. Scalmanini was deposed on September 24, 2008. See Dunn Decl. at ¶ 6. Tejon at that time could have asked Mr. Scalmanini any questions they wished about the specifics of his testimony, his opinions, and his basis for those opinions, just as other parties to this case did, but unlike those other parties, Tejon's counsel did not attend Mr. Scalmanini's deposition. Id. Any "surprise" Tejon may experience from Mr. Scalmanini's testimony is entirely self-imposed.

The same holds true for Mr. Utley and Dr. Williams. Mr. Utley was deposed on September 23, 2008, and Dr. Williams gave his deposition on October 1, 2008. Id. at ¶ 7-8. Again, Tejon's counsel did not appear at either of these depositions. Tejon intentionally passed on its opportunity to discover the specifics of the Public Water Suppliers' expert testimony. It cannot now complain about any "surprise" as to what these experts will testify to at trial.

Of The Expert Declaration

The Public Water Suppliers' Experts Are Rebuttal Experts In The Phase 2

Finally, because in Phase 2 of this trial the Public Water Suppliers are essentially in a

position of rebutting the contentions of other parties in this case, their experts are similarly in the

within the adjudication area. As such, the Public Water Suppliers were not able to disclose all of

the specific rebuttal opinions of their experts and the bases underlying them until the other parties

Declaration, and then in the Amended Evertz Declaration, was as much as was available at the

time those declarations were made. The Public Water Suppliers were able to formulate their

opinions more as they had more time to digest the opinions they would be rebutting, and gave

depositions at which they were prepared to answer any questions about their opinions and the

bases underlying them. Under these circumstances, the declarations were sufficient and Tejon

had every opportunity to conduct discovery into the opinions. Exclusion of the Public Water

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Trial, So Further Detail About Their Opinions Was Not Possible At The Time

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## III. **CONCLUSION**

Suppliers' experts is not warranted here.

Tejon Ranchorp's motion in limine to preclude the Public Water Suppliers' expert witnesses from testifying at trial on the ground that the expert declaration was insufficient under Section 2034.260 should be denied. First, the declaration satisfied the requirements of Section 2034.260 to provide the "general substance" of the experts' testimony. That section does not require the disclosing party to include in the declaration the specific opinion(s) that the witness will offer, as Tejon argues here. The Public Water Suppliers' declarations provide the "general substance" of all three of their experts' testimony.

Further, even if Tejon was right about Section 2034.260 requiring more than just a specification of the subject matter of the disclosed expert's testimony, then exclusion still would be inappropriate because Tejon would lack the ability to raise any objection to any party's disclosures under Section 2034.300 because Tejon's own disclosures would similarly be improper. Any claim that Tejon may be unfairly "surprised" at trial by the testimony of any of the Public Water Supplier's experts is entirely self-inflicted due to Tejon's failure to attend any of the experts' depositions. Finally, in light of the fact that the Public Water Suppliers, and therefore their experts, are in a rebuttal position in this Phase 2 trial, the declarations provided as much information about the rebuttal opinions of their experts as was available at the time. For each of these reasons, Tejon's motion in limine to exclude Mr. Scalmanini, Mr. Utley, and Dr. Williams should be denied.

Dated: October 2, 2008

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I Jeffrey V. Dunn, declare as follows:

- 1. I have personal knowledge of the facts below, and if called upon to do so, I could testify competently thereto in a court of law.
- 2. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of California. I am a partner of Best & Krieger LLP, attorneys of record for Rosamond Community Services District and Los Angeles County Water Works District No. 40
- 3. On September 18, 2008, the Public Water Suppliers filed with the Court and served their Amended Expert Witness Declaration of Douglas J. Evertz. A true and correct copy of that Declaration is attached hereto for the Court's convenience as Exhibit "A."
- 4. On August 15, 2008, Tejon Ranchcorp posted on the Court's website in this case its "Exchange of Expert Witness Information." A true and correct printout of that posting obtained from the Court's website (without the exhibits thereto) is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" for the Court's convenience.
- 5. The Public Water Suppliers in the above-captioned case made each of their experts, Joseph Scalmanini, Kenneth Utley, and Dennis Williams available for deposition in this matter.
- 6. Mr. Scalmanini's deposition occurred on September 24, 2008. I was present at that deposition. Despite begin notified of the date, time and location of the deposition, counsel for Tejon Ranchcorp failed to attend the deposition of Mr. Scalmanini.
- 7. Mr. Utley deposition occurred on September 23, 2008. I was present at that deposition. Despite begin notified of the date, time and location of the deposition, counsel for Tejon Ranchcorp failed to attend the deposition of Mr. Utley.

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8. Dr. Williams's deposition occurred on October 1, 2008. I was present at that deposition. Despite begin notified of the date, time and location of the deposition, counsel for Tejon Ranchcorp failed to attend the deposition of Dr. Williams.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 2nd day of October, 2008 at Irvine, California.

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## **DECLARATION OF DOUGLAS J. EVERTZ**

I, Douglas J. Evertz, declare as follows:

- I am an attorney at law, duly licensed to practice law before all the courts of the State of California and am a Partner with the law firm of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps, LLP, counsel of record for the City of Lancaster ("Lancaster") in the above-captioned proceeding. This Amended Expert Witness Declaration is submitted on behalf of Lancaster, Los Angeles County Water Works District No. 40, Rosamond Community Services District, Palmdale Water District, Quartz Hill Water District, California Water Service Company and Littlerock Creek Irrigation District (as previously defined in the original expert witness designation.) I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below, and if called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the following:
- 2. This Amended Declaration is made pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 2034.260(c)(2) in support of the Expert Designation of Los Angeles County Water Works District No. 40, Rosamond Community Services District, City of Lancaster, Palmdale Water District, Quartz Hill Water District, California Water Service Company and Littlerock Creek Irrigation District (the "Designating Parties").
- 3. On August 15, 2008, the Designating Parties posted their expert witness designation, which included my expert witness declaration pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 2034.260(c)(2). The Designating Parties designated Joseph Scalmanini, Kenneth Utley and Dr. Dennis Williams.
- 4. On August 22, 2008, Robert Kuhs, counsel for Tejon Ranch, posted a letter requesting I "promptly submit a supplemental declaration which includes a brief narrative statement of the general substance of your proposed experts' testimony. Absent such compliance, we will move to exclude Mr. Scalmanini's, Mr. Utley's and Mr. Williams' opinions. (Code Civ. Proc., § 2034.000)" [sic] The letter did not specify any date by which Tejon Ranch requested a supplemental declaration be filed. I was out of the office on vacation August 21, 2008 through August 26, 2008.
- 5. On August 29, 2008, Tejon Ranch filed a Motion in Limine to exclude the expert testimony of the Designating Parties' expert witnesses. Tejon Ranch contends in its motion the Expert 501005810.3/36749-0001

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Designation of the Designating Parties is deficient because (1) the Expert Designation does not "disclose what opinions the experts will offer at trial," and (2) "none of the experts produced a written report summarizing the anticipated opinions at trial." (Motion of Limine, p. 3, lines 10-12.) In my opinion, the motion is not well taken because (1) the expert declaration complies with Code of Civil Procedure section 2034.260, (2) no written reports were prepared by Mr. Scalmanini, Mr. Utley or Mr. Williams and thus none are required to be produced, and (3) on September 3, 2008, Mr. Scalmanini met with, among others, Tejon Ranch's expert witnesses, Richard Rhone (in person) and John List (by telephone) to discuss certain issues regarding "subbasins."

- 6. On September 5, 2008, I spoke with Robert Kuhs and advised him that while I believe the August 15, 2008 Expert Designation of the Designating Parties is sufficient, the Designating Parties are prepared to supplement the expert witness declaration. I then asked Mr. Kuhs what precisely he thought was missing from the Expert Designation and/or what additional information he wanted to be included. I then asked Mr. Kuhs to take his motion in limine off calendar. While Mr. Kuhs did indicate that filing a supplemental declaration might be a "step in the right direction," he refused to provide any indication as to what further information he thought might be useful in the declaration, and indicated he was not inclined to take his motion off calendar.
- 7. In an effort to resolve any outstanding dispute between the Designating Parties and Tejon Ranch, the Designating Parties now offer the following supplemental declaration, which includes only the previously designated experts and which identifies in greater detail the substance of the anticipated testimony of the experts:
  - (a) <u>Joseph Scalmanini</u>. Mr. Scalmanini is a registered civil engineer and the President of Luhdorff and Scalmanini Consulting Engineers. A true and correct copy of Mr. Scalmanini's resume was attached to the August 15, 2008 designation as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Scalmanini's anticipated testimony will address the following substantive areas:
    - (1) The Antelope Valley, including its physical setting and its area of adjudication (Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication, or "AVAA").

- (2) The general geology of the area and the occurrence of groundwater in the AVAA, including his opinions regarding the nature of geologic formations and aquifer materials, and the effects of geologic features on the occurrence and movement of groundwater, and on the physical effects of groundwater extraction.
- (3) His opinion there are no separate groundwater basins (hydrogeologically separate subdivisions) within the AVAA and that while it may ultimately be appropriate or necessary to subdivide the AVAA for development and implementation of a physical solution, it is premature to identify subdivisions for that purpose until the objectives of the physical solution are identified.
- (4) Mr. Scalmanini may also be called to offer testimony to rebut the testimony of other experts.
- (b) Kenneth Utley. Mr. Utley is a Registered Geologist and Certified Engineering Geologist, and Senior Geologist with Luhdorff and Scalmanini, Consulting Engineers. A true and correct copy of Mr. Utley's resume was attached to the August 15, 2008 designation as Exhibit "B". Mr. Utley's anticipated testimony, which was relied upon in part by Mr. Scalmanini in formulating his ultimate opinions, will address the following substantive areas:
  - (1) The general geology of the area and the occurrence of groundwater in the AVAA, including his opinions regarding the nature of geologic formations and aquifer materials, and the effects of geologic features on the occurrence and movement of groundwater, all of which is introductory to and supportive of the ultimate opinion of Mr. Scalmanini.
- (c) <u>Dr. Dennis Williams</u>. Dr. Williams is a registered geologist and California certified hydro geologist with experience in groundwater development and management. Dr. Williams may be called to render rebuttal testimony and opinions concerning the work of other experts on the characteristics, structure, hydrologic conditions of the groundwater underlying the geographic area, including rebuttal testimony to refute

opinions of other experts on the use of hydrogeological modeling to establish "subbasins" in the AVAA. He has agreed to testify and will be sufficiently familiar with the pending action to submit to a meaningful oral deposition concerning his specific testimony, after the work of other experts engaged by the public purveyors is completed. Additional information regarding Dr. Williams was attached to the August 15, 2008 designation as Exhibit "C."

8. The above experts have agreed to testify at trial. They will be sufficiently familiar with the pending action to submit to meaningful depositions concerning their expert opinions and the basis thereof. Mr. Scalmanini charges \$460 per hour for deposition and trial testimony. Mr. Utley charges \$284 per hour for deposition and trial testimony. Mr. Williams charges \$500 per hour for deposition and trial testimony.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this /B/day of September, 2008, at Irvine, California.

DOUGLAS J. EVERTŽ

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5 6	I am a resident of the State of California, over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. I am employed in the County of Orange, State of California. My business address is 2050 Main Street, Suite 600, Irvine, California 92614. On September				
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11 12 13	by posting the document(s) listed above to the website http://www.scefiling.org, a dedicated link to the Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases; Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV 049053, Assigned to the Honorable Jack Komar, said document(s) is electronically served/distributed therewith.				
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Tejon reserves the right to (a) call any expert witness disclosed by any other party to this proceeding although not included herein; and (b) call any expert witness to impeach the testimony of any expert witness offered by any other party at trial.

Dated: August /2, 2008

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Robert G. Kuhs, Attorney for Tejon

## II. DECLARATION OF ROBERT G. KUHS

- I, Robert G. Kuhs, declare as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney at law duly admitted to practice before all courts of the State of California and a partner of Kuhs & Parker, counsel for Tejon.
  - 2. Tejon may call the following expert witnesses:
- A. E. John List, Phd., P.E. Mr. List has agreed to testify at trial. Mr. List is a licensed professional engineer in the State of California. A summary of Mr. List's professional qualifications is attached as Exhibit A. Mr. List will testify regarding the following issues:
  - i. The characteristics of the Antelope Valley Groundwater Basin and, in particular, the West Antelope Valley Sub-Basin.

Mr. List will be sufficiently familiar with this proceeding to submit to a meaningful

- B. Richard A. Rhone, P.E. Mr. Rhone has agreed to testify at trial.

  Mr. Rhone is a registered civil engineer in the State of California. A summary of Mr. Rhone's qualifications is attached as Exhibit C. Mr. Rhone will testify regarding the following issues:
  - i. The characteristics of the Antelope Valley
     Groundwater Basin and, in particular, the West Antelope Valley Sub-Basin.

Mr. Rhone will be sufficiently familiar with this proceeding to submit to a meaningful oral deposition concerning his testimony. His fee for providing testimony and consulting is \$250 per hour. A copy of Mr. Rhone's report is attached as **Exhibit D**.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: August <u>/2</u>, 2008

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I, Kerry V. Keefe, declare:

I am a resident of the State of California and over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action; my business address is Best & Krieger LLP, 5 Park Plaza, Suite 1500, Irvine, California 92614. On October 2, 2008, I served the within document(s):

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIERS' OPPOSITION TO TEJON RANCHCORP'S MOTION IN LIMINE FOR ORDER EXCLUDING EXPERT TESTIMONY OF (1) JOSEPH SCALMANINI, (2) KENNETH UTLEY, AND (3) DENNIS WILLIAMS; DECLARATION OF JEFFREY V. DUNN IN SUPPORT THEREOF

X	by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara County Superior Court website in regard to the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter.					
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