1 IGNACIA S. MORENO Assistant Attorney General Environment and Natural Resources Division 3 R. LEE LEININGER EXEMPT FROM FILING FEES UNDER United States Department of Justice GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 6103 4 Environment and Natural Resources Division 1961 Stout St., Suite 800 Denver, Colorado 80294 lee.leininger@usdoj.gov Phone: 303/844-1364 Fax: 303/844-1350 Attorneys for Federal Defendants 8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** 9 Coordination Proceeding Coordination Judicial Council Special Title (Rule 1550(b)) Proceeding No. 4408 11 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES EXPERT WITNESS 12 Included actions: **DECLARATION** 13 Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co., et al. 14 Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. BC 325 15 Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. 16 Diamond Farming Co., et al. Kern County Superior Court, Case No. S-1500-CV-17 254-348 18 Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of Lancaster Diamond Farming Co. v. City of Lancaster 19 Diamond Farming Co. v. Palmdale Water District Riverside County Superior Court, Consolidated Action, 20 Case nos. RIC 353 840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668 21 AND RELATED CROSS ACTIONS 22 23 24 25 Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 2034.260, Cross-Defendant, United 26 States of America, hereby designates Dr. June Oberdorfer as an expert witness who may be 27 called to testify at the time of the Phase III Trial or related hearings. The United States reserves 28 the right to supplement this witness list and designate additional witnesses including expert witnesses for use in rebuttal. The United States further reserves the right to call as a witness at

trial an expert not previously designated for impeachment purposes pursuant to *Code of Civil Procedure* § 2034.310.

The United States further declares that:

- 1. Dr. Oberdorfer is a Professional Geologist and Certified Hydrogeologist in the State of California. She has a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Geology and Geophysics, with an emphasis in hydrogeology, from the University of Hawaii. She has conducted groundwater investigations for over 29 years. Dr. Oberdorfer is a Professor in the Department of Geology at San Jose State University and acts as a consultant on groundwater related issues. In the present case, her role is a consultant to AECOM, Inc. She was designated as an expert witness in the Phase I and Phase II trials in this case. She has conducted groundwater investigations in California since 1984, including investigations in groundwater basin characterization, water supply, and groundwater contamination. This work has included several investigations in the North Muroc area of the Antelope Valley groundwater basin. A copy of her resume is attached to this declaration as Exhibit A.
- 2. Dr. Oberdorfer has been asked to provide testimony for the upcoming Phase III trial on addressing the status of the aquifer and the issue of overdraft. In general, the substance of her expert opinion testimony and the bases therefore are set forth in Dr. Oberdorfer's July 2010 expert disclosure report, *Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases*, *Phase 3: Status of Aquifer and Issue of Overdraft*, is attached to this declaration as Exhibit B.
- 20 3. Dr. Oberdorfer has agreed to testify at the Phase III trial.
- 21 4. Dr. Oberdorfer is sufficiently familiar with this pending action to submit to a meaningful oral deposition concerning the specific testimony, including her opinion and its basis.
- Dr. Oberdorfer's rate is \$ 214.50 per hour for testifying at depositions, mediations,
 arbitrations, trial, and for travel time; plus all out-of-pocket expenses, including, but not limited
 to, hotel, airfare, car rental, copying, postage, shipping, telephone calls, etc.

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I declare under the penalty of perjury, the above statements are true and correct.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2010.

R. Lee Leininger

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Karmen Robinson, declare:

I am a resident of the State of Colorado and over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is U.S. Department of Justice, Environmental and Natural Resources Section, 1961 Stout Street, 8th Floor, Denver, Colorado 80294.

On July 15, 2010, I caused the foregoing documents described as; **EXPERT WITNESS DECLARATION**, to be served on the parties via the following service:

X	BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE AS FOLLOWS by posting the documents(s) listed above to the Santa Clara website in regard to the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter.
	BY MAIL AS FOLLOWS (to parties so indicated on attached service list): By placing true copies thereof enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed as indicated on the attached service list.
	BY OVERNIGHT COURIER: I caused the above-referenced document(s) be delivered to FEDERAL EXPRESS for delivery to the above address(es).
	Executed on July 15, 2010, at Denver, Colorado.

/s/ Karmen Robinson
Karmen Robinson
Paralegal Specialist