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Re: *Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation*
Small Pumper Class Action
Case No.: 1-05-CV-049053

Dear Mr. Thompson:

As you are aware, last summer the Court granted our motion to have Entrix designated as a court-appointed expert. The Court has recently stated that it wants to set phase 3 of the trial in this matter for July or August of this year. That trial will focus on the questions of safe yield and overdraft, and potentially other related issues, to be determined in the near future.

At the next hearing, our long-delayed motion for allocation of your expert witness fees will be addressed. As part of that, it would be helpful if you could provide a more detailed budget and/or brief summary proposal for work relative to the quantification of the water use of the small pumpers' class. I believe in the next week, we will have an exact figure on the class size, but believe it will fall in the range of 3,800 to 4,500.

Very truly yours,



Michael D. McLachlan

Cc: Judge Jack Komar (*via electronic filing*)
All Counsel (*via electronic filing*)