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13 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – CENTRAL DISTRICT
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16 **ANTELOPE VALLEY**
17 **GROUNDWATER CASES**

18 Included Actions:
19 Los Angeles County Waterworks District
No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co., Superior
Court of California, County of Los
20 Angeles, Case No. BC 325201;

21 Los Angeles County Waterworks District
No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co., Superior
22 Court of California, County of Kern, Case
No. S-1500-CV-254-348;

23 Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of
24 Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v. City of
Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v.
25 Palmdale Water Dist., Superior Court of
California, County of Riverside, Case Nos.
26 RIC 353 840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668

Judicial Council Coordination No. 4408

Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV-049053
Assigned to The Honorable Jack Komar

**DECLARATION OF STEFANIE D.
HEDLUND RE STATUS OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS**

1 I, Stefanie D. Hedlund, declare as follows:

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3 1. I am an attorney duly admitted to practice before the California courts and I am an
4 associate with Best, Best & Krieger LLP, attorneys for Los Angeles County Waterworks District
5 No. 40 and Rosamond Community Services District. I have personal knowledge of each and all
6 of the facts herein and would testify competently thereto under oath.

7 2. The Public Water Suppliers have initiated numerous rounds of service. The first
8 round of service began on October 28, 2005. The Public Water Suppliers identified
9 approximately 600 landowners that owned 100 acres or more overlying the Antelope Valley
10 Groundwater Basin ("Basin"). For the first round of service, the Public Water Suppliers mail
11 served landowners owning 100 or more acres overlying the Basin.

12 3. Of the parties identified and served in the first round of service, 110 parties signed
13 and returned the Notice of Acknowledgment. On December 13, 2006, pursuant to the Court's
14 order, the Public Water Suppliers sent a letter to these parties informing them that they must
15 answer or otherwise appear within 30 days.

16 4. In July of 2007, pursuant to a court order, the Pubic Water Suppliers began
17 attempting personal service on the 453 parties owning 100 acres or more who had not yet signed a
18 Notice of Acknowledgment, answered or otherwise appeared. Of the landowner parties owning
19 100 acres or more a first attempt was made for each party and service has been completed on 395
20 parties.

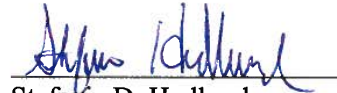
21 5. Pursuant to the Court's direction at the July 20, 2007 Case Management
22 Conference, the Public Water Suppliers halted service of these parties until the Court certified a
23 class of landowners and determined if personal service would be necessary.

24 6. Pursuant to the Court's direction at the March 12, 2007, Case Management
25 Conference, the Public Water Suppliers identified 36 Mutual Water Companies within the Basin.
26 Sufficient information was found to complete service on 25 Mutual Water Companies. The
27 Public Water Suppliers were unable to complete service on the remaining 11 Mutual Water
28 Companies due to either wrong addresses and insufficient information to locate a correct address.

1 The Public Water Suppliers cannot find correct address information for the remaining 11 Mutual
2 Water Companies.

3 7. California Water Code section 5001 requires that any person in Los Angeles
4 County who extracts groundwater in excess of 25 acre feet a year must file a Notice of Extraction
5 with the State Water Resources Control Board. The Public Water Suppliers obtained a
6 compilation of the Annual Notices of Extraction for Los Angeles County from the State Water
7 Resources Control Board. Using this information, the Public Water Suppliers identified an
8 additional 38 parties that were pumping water in the Basin but had not been served. 29 of these
9 parties were successfully served. Failure to serve those 9 parties was due to wrong addresses.

10 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
11 foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 1 day of August 2008, at Irvine, California.

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14 Stefanie D. Hedlund

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1 **PROOF OF SERVICE**

2 I, Kerry V. Keefe, declare:

3 I am a resident of the State of California and over the age of eighteen years, and
4 not a party to the within action; my business address is Best Best & Krieger LLP, 5 Park Plaza,
Suite 1500, Irvine, California 92614. On August 7, 2008, I served the within document(s):

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6 **PROCESS**

- 7 by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara County Superior Court
8 website in regard to the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter.
- 9 by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon
10 fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Irvine, California addressed as set forth
below.
- 11 by causing personal delivery by ASAP Corporate Services of the document(s)
12 listed above to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below.
- 13 by personally delivering the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the
14 address(es) set forth below.
- 15 I caused such envelope to be delivered via overnight delivery addressed as
16 indicated on the attached service list. Such envelope was deposited for delivery
17 by Federal Express following the firm's ordinary business practices.

18 I am readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing
19 correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. Postal
20 Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business. I
21 am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation
date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.

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

24 Executed on August 7, 2008, at Irvine, California.

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Kerry V. Keefe