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REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE

Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 requests under Evidence Code sections 452(d)(1) and 453(a) and (b), that the Court take judicial notice of the following documents:

- 1. The Opposition Filed by Diamond Farming to the District's Motion for Leave to File a Cross-Complaint, which is attached to the declaration of Sandra M. Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "1."
- 2. The transcript from the November 12, 2004, hearing before the Honorable Gary B. Tranbarger, Judge of the Riverside County Superior Court, regarding the District's Motion for Leave to File a Cross-Complaint, which is attached to the declaration of Sandra M. Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "2."
- 3. The Complaint filed by the District in Los Angeles County Superior Court on November 29, 2004, entitled, Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Company, et al., Case No. BC325201, which is attached to the declaration of Sandra Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "3."
- 4. The Complaint filed by the District in Kern County Superior Court on December 1, 2004, entitled, Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Company, et al., Case No. S-1500-CV-252-348, which is attached to the declaration of Sandra M. Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "4."
- 5. The Petition For Coordination of Complex Actions submitted to the Judicial Council of California by Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 on January 3, 2005 to coordinate: Los Angeles County Waterworks District v. Diamond Farming Co., et al. (Los ORANGE/SMS/21863.1)

1	Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC 325201); Los Angeles County Waterworks District
2	v. Diamond Farming Co., et al. (Kern County Superior Court Case No. S-1500-CV 254348); and
3	Diamond Farming Co. and Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of Lancaster, et al. (Riverside
4	County Superior Court Lead Case No. RIC 344436, and Case No. RIC344668), which is attached
5	to the declaration of Sandra M. Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "5."
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7	6. Order Granting Petition for Coordination, dated June 17, 2005, which is attached
8	to the declaration of Sandra M. Schwarzmann filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit "6".
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10	7. This Court's records for this action, including all pleadings and papers filed herein.
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Dated: November 17, 2005

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DECLARATION OF SANDRA M. SCHWARZMANN

I, Sandra M. Schwarzmann, declare:

- 1. I am an associate of the law firm of Best, Best & Krieger LLP, counsel for Plaintiff Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and if called upon to do so, I could and would competently testify to these facts.
- 2. Attached hereto as Exhibit "1" is a true and correct copy of the Opposition to the District's Motion for Leave to File a Cross-Complaint filed by Diamond Farming.
- 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit "2" is a true and correct copy of the transcript from the November 12, 2004, hearing before the Honorable Gary B. Tranbarger, Judge of the Riverside County Superior Court regarding the District's Motion for Leave to File a Cross-Complaint.
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- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit "5" is a true and correct copy of the Petition For Coordination of Complex Actions submitted to the Judicial Council of California by Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 on January 3, 2005 to coordinate: Los Angeles County Waterworks District v. Diamond Farming Co., et al. (Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC 325201; Los Angeles County Waterworks District v. Diamond Farming Co., et al. (Kern Orange SMS) 21863.1

Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of Lancaster, et al. (Riverside County Superior Court Lead Case No. RIC 344436 and Case No. RIC 344668), which is submitted here without exhibits.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "6" is a true and correct copy of the Order Granting Petition for Coordination, dated June 17, 2005.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above

Executed this 17th day of November, 2005, at Irvine, California.

Sandra M. Schwarzmann

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