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## TO ALL PARTIES AND TO THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Cross Complainants Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, Desert Lakes Community

Services District, Palmdale Water District, Quartz Hill Water District, Palm Ranch Irrigation

District, North Edwards Water District, California Water Service Company, Los Angeles County

Waterworks District No. 40, Rosamond Community Services District, and the City of Palmdale,
by and through their attorneys of record, hereby exchange, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure

Section 2034.260: (1) a list containing the name and address of each person whose expert opinion

testimony that the parties expect to offer at trial, whether orally or by deposition testimony; (2) an

expert witness declaration for each such person pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Sections

2034.210 (b) and 2034.260 (c); and (3) an expert witness report attached hereto as Exhibit "1."

- I. List of Experts expected to testify at trial on behalf of cross-complainants:
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- I am a California licensed attorney and a partner with Best Best & Krieger LLP, attorneys of record for Rosamond Community Services District and Los Angeles County
   Waterworks District No. 40. I have personal knowledge of each of fact stated in this declaration.
- 2. Cross-complainants Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, Desert Lakes Community Services District, Palmdale Water District, Quartz Hill Water District, Palm Ranch Irrigation District, North Edwards Water District, California Water Service Company, Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Rosamond Community Services District, and the City of Palmdale, (collectively, "Public Water Suppliers") intend to offer at trial, either orally or by deposition testimony from the following experts: Mr. Joseph Scalmanini; Mr. Mark Wildermuth; Mr. Robert Beeby; and Mr. Peter Leffler.
  - 3. All experts named have agreed to testify as expert witnesses at the Phase 3 trial.
- 4. Attached to this declaration as Exhibit "2" are the resumes of Mr. Joseph Scalmanini, Mr. Mark Wildermuth, Mr. Robert Beeby, and Mr. Peter Leffler.
- Luhdorff and Scalmanini, Consulting Engineers, Inc., which specializes in geologic, hydrologic and engineering work associated with the investigation, assessment, development and management of groundwater resources throughout California, and which also specializes in water resources engineering work for municipal, agricultural, and industrial water supply throughout California. Mr. Scalmanini has conducted and directed groundwater assessments and investigations, developed and implemented groundwater monitoring and management programs, designed groundwater development projects, and conducted and directed water resources engineering projects throughout California over the last 40 years. Prior to the founding of Luhdorff and Scalmanini, Consulting Engineers in 1980, Mr. Scalmanini was a Development Engineer at the University of California, Davis, where he directed applied research in groundwater and taught classes in Hydraulics and Principles of Groundwater Management; his association with the University continues as an instructor in a University Extension class on groundwater hydrology and law.

- 6. Mr. Scalmanini will testify as to characteristics and hydrologic conditions of the groundwater in the Antelope Valley Groundwater Adjudication Area ("Basin"). Mr. Scalmanini will testify concerning the Basin's sustainable yield and geology and the occurrence of groundwater in the Basin. Mr. Scalmanini's testimony will include historic groundwater conditions, effects of groundwater development and the current status and past changes in groundwater conditions. Mr. Scalmanini will also be prepared to offer rebuttal testimony concerning the groundwater conditions analyses prepared by other experts.
- 7. Mr. Wildermuth is the founder and president of Wildermuth Environmental and has over 33 years of experience in water resources engineering and planning, including surface and groundwater hydrology and hydraulics, water resources planning, surface water and groundwater hydrology and hydraulics, water resources planning, surface water and groundwater computer simulation modeling, water rights and surface water and groundwater quality. Mr. Wildermuth had extensive expertise in the development of water resource management plans for groundwater basins and watersheds in Southern California, including the Chino Basin. Mr. Wildermuth is a California registered professional civil engineer.
- 8. Mr. Wildermuth will testify as to the Basin's water resources. Mr. Wildermuth will offer opinions regarding historic and current groundwater levels, land subsidence, water supplies, groundwater storage and natural recharge and changes in groundwater storage. Mr. Wildermuth will also provide rebuttal testimony regarding other experts' analyses related to historic and current groundwater levels, land subsidence, water supplies, groundwater storage and natural recharge and changes in groundwater storage.
- 9. Mr. Beeby is currently the principal of Beeby Engineering, Inc., and has over 40 years of engineering experience in project planning and management of water resources for a wide range of clients, including agricultural and urban water purveyors, power providers, federal, state and local governmental agencies. He has served as principal-in-charge and directed technical studies related to the adjudication of pumping rights of several groundwater basins, served on Technical Expert Committees appointed to develop the factual aspects of groundwater basins under adjudication, directed the studies leading to water management programs/exchanges

between agricultural and urban interest, developed regional plans for management of surface and groundwater resources, directed studies relating to technical and economic feasibility of agricultural water projects and has managed the preliminary design and construction phases of major water resource facilities. Mr. Beeby has provided expert witness testimony since 1980 in numerous proceedings relating to land, water use, groundwater adjudications and water rights. He has testified before a Special Master appointed by the Supreme Court in Arizona v. California, the California State Water Resources Control Board, and groundwater adjudications, such as the Santa Maria Valley Groundwater Cases. Mr. Beeby is a registered civil engineer in California, Arizona, New Mexico, South Dakota and Washington. Mr. Beeby is also a California registered agricultural engineer.

- 10. Mr. Beeby will testify as to agricultural crop requirements, applied water for irrigation and return flows from agricultural irrigation in the Antelope Valley. Mr. Beeby will also be prepared to offer rebuttal testimony regarding other experts' analyses of agricultural crop requirements, applied water for irrigation and return flows from agricultural irrigation.
- 11. Mr. Leffler has more than 20 years of experience performing hydrogeologic studies in California. His experience includes groundwater basin analysis and management; groundwater modeling, design and construction of water wells, test wells, and monitoring wells; pumping tests and data analysis; evaluation of artificial recharge options, evaluation of bedrock groundwater flow and yields from bedrock wells, water resource planning, water quality, contaminant hydrogeology, and surface water and groundwater interaction. Mr. Leffler is a California registered geologist and certified hydrogeologist.
- 12. Mr. Leffler will offer testimony regarding characteristics of bedrock surrounding the Antelope Valley and potential flows of groundwater through those materials into the Basin. Mr. Leffler will also offer rebuttal testimony regarding other experts' analyses regarding characteristics of bedrock surrounding the Antelope Valley and potential flows of groundwater through those materials into the Basin.
- 13. Mr. Scalmanini, Mr. Wildermuth, Mr. Leever, Mr. Beeby, and Mr. Leffler are sufficiently familiar with the pending action to submit a meaningful oral deposition concerning

their respective testimony, including their expert opinions and the basis for their opinions.

14. Mr. Scalmanini's hourly fee for depositions and trial testimony is \$470.00 plus travel time. Mr. Wildermuth's hourly fee for depositions and trial testimony is \$450.00 plus travel time. Mr. Beeby's hourly fee for depositions and trial testimony is \$340.00 plus travel time. Mr. Leffler's hourly fee for depositions and trial testimony is \$400.00 plus travel time.

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

Date: July 15, 2010

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## **PROOF OF SERVICE**

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 July 15, 2010, I served the within document(s):

## PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIERS' EXPERT DESIGNATION FOR PHASE III TRIAL AND EXPERT DECLARATION

X	by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara County Superior Courwebsite in regard to the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter.	
	by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereofully prepaid, in the United States mail at Irvine, California addressed as set fortibelow.	
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.		
Executed on July 15, 2010, at Irvine, California.		
	Kerry V. Keefe	

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