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January 21, 2009

## Via Electronic Posting

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And to All Other Counsel Identified on Attached Service List

Re: Antelope Valley Groundwater Adjudication

Meet and Confer Meeting Scheduled for January 27, 2009

#### To All Counsel:

First, I thank Mr. Lemieux for taking the lead in arranging for the meet and confer to address discovery issues. However, the agenda needs to be broadened to include a discussion of the purveyors' intentions regarding previously propounded written discovery to which objections have been made and which have been the subject matter of previous communications between various parties. I have spoken with Mr. Kalfayan and Mr. Zimmer, each have written discovery to which objections were interposed and the propriety of those objections are in dispute. Likewise, the undersigned has previously propounded written discovery to which objections were interposed and the propriety of those objections are likewise in dispute.

With respect to addressing written discovery, and coordination of same, it is the position of Mr. Kalfayan and the undersigned that a good place to start would be with the already propounded written discovery to which objections have been interposed.

Therefore, we would request that the purveyors, identified on attached service list, be prepared to discuss that previously propounded discovery at the meeting on January 27, 2009. Specifically, Mr. Kalfayan and the undersigned request that you specifically identify by number each

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written discovery request to which you intend to stand upon previously asserted objections. With respect to the operative discovery propounded by Diamond Farming, we would direct your attention to the following:

- Request for Admissions (Set One);
- 2. Form Interrogatories (Set One);
- 3. Special Interrogatories (Set One); and,
- 4. Request for Production of Documents (Set One).

With respect to the foregoing, please identify in writing each of the separate inquiries or request to which you intend to stand upon the objection previously interposed. As each of you are aware, each of those objections has previously been briefed in connection with a Motion to Compel which has yet to be ruled upon. If we cannot, through our efforts at the meeting next Tuesday, resolve these discovery disputes, we will be forced to re-notice those Motions to Compel. In anticipation of a more reasonable solution, I look forward to seeing all of you on Tuesday.

Very truly yours

BOB H. JOYCE

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cc: Jeffrey A. Green, Esq.

# Public Water Suppliers - Discovery Service List

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### PROOF OF SERVICE

1 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES JUDICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDING NO. 4408 2 CASE NO.: 1-05-CV-049053 3 I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the county aforesaid; I am over the age 4 of eighteen years and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 5001 E. Commercenter 5 Drive, Suite 300, Bakersfield, California 93309. On January 21, 2009, I served the within LETTER 6 TO ALL COUNSEL RE MEET & CONFER MEETING 7 8 (BY POSTING) I am "readily familiar" with the Court's Clarification Order. Electronic service and electronic posting completed through www.scefiling.org; All papers filed 9 in Los Angeles County Superior Court and copy sent to trial judge and Chair of Judicial Council. 10 Chair, Judicial Council of California Los Angeles County Superior Court 11 Administrative Office of the Courts 111 North Hill Street Attn: Appellate & Trial Court Judicial Services Los Angeles, CA 90012 12 (Civil Case Coordinator) Attn: Department 1 Carlotta Tillman (213) 893-1014 13 455 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3688 14 Fax (415) 865-4315 15 (BY MAIL) I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. 16 Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Bakersfield, California, in 17 the ordinary course of business. 18 (OVERNIGHT/EXPRESS MAIL) By enclosing a true copy thereof in a sealed 19 envelope designated by United States Postal Service (Overnight Mail)/Federal Express/United Parcel Service ("UPS") addressed as shown on the above by placing said envelope(s) for ordinary 20 business practices from Kern County. I am readily familiar with this business' practice of collecting and processing correspondence for overnight/express/UPS mailing. On the same day 21 that the correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course 22 of business with the United States Postal Service/Federal Express/UPS in a sealed envelope with delivery fees paid/provided for at the facility regularly maintained by United States Postal Service 23 (Overnight Mail/Federal Express/United Postal Service [or by delivering the documents to an authorized courier or driver authorized by United States Postal Service (Overnight Mail)/Federal 24 Express/United Postal Service to receive documents]. 25 (STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of 26 California that the above is true and correct, and that the foregoing was executed on January 21, 27 2009, in Bakersfield, California. 28