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August 21, 2009

Melinda Moore
Office of the Honorable Justice Ronald B. Robie
Court of Appeal, Third District
621 Capitol Mall, 10th Floor
Sacramento, Ca. 95814-4719

Re: Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation

Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding Case No. 4408

Dear Ms Moore:

This office serves as legal counsel for certain large landowners in the Antelope Valley Groundwater litigation, including members of the Van Dam family and Antelope Valley Water Storage, LLC.

We greatly appreciate Justice Robie's willingness to lend his unique expertise and experience to assist the parties in reaching a negotiated settlement of this matter in the upcoming Settlement Conference process scheduled for September 3, 2009. While the initial discussions have been planned to involve only limited parties there are a significant number of additional parties, such as our clients, there are eager to participate in any future Settlement Conference so that we can reach a final settlement of this litigation.

We are writing this letter to inform Justice Robie that our office and clients are prepared to participate in the Settlement Conference process to facilitate a comprehensive resolution of this case. Please provide this office with any future notices regarding Settlement Conferences.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours

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