

August 27, 2009

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**VIA POSTING TO COURT'S WEBSITE**

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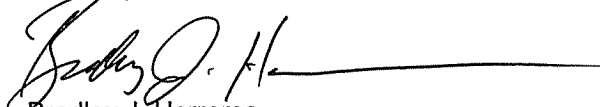
**RE: Public Water Suppliers' Motion to Transfer and Consolidate for All Purposes  
Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases, JCCP No. 4408**

Dear Ms. McDonald:

We have received your August 26, 2009 letter transmitting a matrix listing all pleadings proposed to be consolidated pursuant to your pending motion, and the chart depicting your proposed alignment of parties in the event of consolidation. Along with other counsel representing landowners in these cases, we will evaluate your proposal and provide our comments as to the same.

We note that the Court has not ordered our comments to be provided by the September 1st date you have identified. Given the detail of your proposal and the critical importance of the Court's disposition of your motion, we will attempt to provide our comments as expeditiously as possible while taking the time reasonably necessary to thoroughly evaluate and consider your proposal.

Sincerely,



Bradley J. Herrema

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I am employed in the County of Santa Barbara, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 21 E. Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101.

On August 27, 2009, I served the foregoing document described as:

**LETTER TO RICHARDS WATSON GERSHON RE: PUBLIC WATER  
SUPPLIERS' MOTION TO TRANSFER AND CONSOLIDATE FOR ALL  
PURPOSES**

on the interested parties in this action.

By posting it on the website at 3:00 p.m. on August 27, 2009. This posting was reported as complete and without error.

(STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Executed in Santa Barbara, California, on August 27, 2009.

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**SIGNATURE**