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RECITALS

This matter was originally tried before the Honorable Edmund M. Moor, without jury, commencing on March 1, 1966, and concluding with entry of Findings, Conclusions and Judgment on March 14, 1968, after more than 181 trial days. Los Angeles appealed from said judgment and the California Supreme Court, by unanimous opinion (14 Cal. 3d 199) reversed and remanded the case; after trial of remaining issues on remand, and consistent with the opinion of the Supreme Court, and good cause appearing, the Court finds and concludes as follows:

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

As used in these Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the following terms shall have the meanings herein set forth:

- [1] <u>Basin</u> or <u>Ground Water Basin</u> -- A subsurface geologic formation with defined boundary conditions, containing a ground water reservoir, which is capable of yielding a significant quantity of ground water.
 - [2] Burbank -- Defendant City of Burbank.
- [3] <u>Crescenta Valley</u> -- Defendant Crescenta Valley County Water District.
- [4] <u>Colorado Aqueduct</u> -- The aqueduct facilities and system owned and operated by MWD for the importation of water from the Colorado River to its service area.
- [5] <u>Deep Rock</u> -- Defendant Evelyn M. Pendleton, dba Deep Rock Artesian Water Company.
- [6] <u>Delivered Water</u> -- Water utilized in a water supply distribution system, including reclaimed water.

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underlying	the	area	shown	as	such	on	Attack	ment	ijДĦ,	

- [8] Extract or Extraction -- To produce ground water, or its production, by pumping or any other means.
- [9] Fiscal Year -- July 1 through June 30 of the following calendar year.
- [10] <u>Foremost</u> -- Defendant Foremost Foods Company, successor to defendant Sparkletts Drinking Water Corp.
- [11] <u>Forest Lawn</u> -- Collectively, defendants Forest Lawn Cemetery Association, Forest Lawn Company, Forest Lawn Memorial-Park Association, and American Security and Fidelity Corporation.
- [12] Gage F-57 -- The surface stream gaging station operated by Los Angeles County Flood Control District and situated in Los Angeles Narrows immediately upstream from the intersection of the Los Angeles River and Arroyo Seco, at which point the surface outflow from ULARA is measured.
 - [13] Glendale -- Defendant City of Glendale.
- [14] Ground Water -- Water beneath the surface of the ground and within the zone of saturation.
- [15] <u>Hersch & Plumb</u> -- Defendants David and Eleanor A. Hersch and Gerald B. and Lucille Plumb, successors to Wellesley and Duckworth defendants.
- [16] <u>Import Return Water</u> -- Ground water derived from percolation attributable to delivered imported water.
- [17] Imported Water -- Water used within ULARA, which is derived from sources outside said watershed. Said term

does not include inter-basin transfers wholly within ULARA.

- [18] <u>In Lieu Storage</u> -- The act of accumulating ground water in a basin by intentional reduction of extractions of ground water which a party has a right to extract.
- [19] Lockheed -- Defendant Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.
- [20] Los Angeles -- Plaintiff City of Los Angeles, acting by and through its Department of Water and Power.
- [21] Los Angeles Narrows -- The physiographic area northerly of Gage F-57 bounded on the east by the San Rafael and Repetto Hills and on the west by the Elysian Hills, through which all natural outflow of the San Fernando Basin and the Los Angeles River flow en route to the Pacific Ocean.
- [22] <u>MWD</u> -- The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, a public agency of the State of California.
- [23] <u>Native Safe Yield</u> -- That portion of the safe yield of a basin derived from native waters.
- [24] <u>Native Waters</u> -- Surface and ground waters derived from precipitation within ULARA.
- [25] Overdraft -- A condition which exists when the total annual extractions of ground water from a basin exceed its safe yield, and when any temporary surplus has been removed.
- [26] Owens-Mono Aqueduct -- The aqueduct facilities owned and operated by Los Angeles for importation to ULARA of water from the Owens River and Mono Basin watersheds easterly of the Sierra-Nevada in Central California.
 - [27] Private Defendants -- Collectively, all of those

defendants who are parties, other than Glendale, Burbank, San Fernando and Crescenta Valley.

- [28] Reclaimed Water -- Water which, as a result of processing of waste water, is made suitable for and used for a controlled beneficial use.
- [29] Regulatory Storage Capacity -- The volume of storage capacity of San Fernando Basin which is required to regulate the safe yield of the basin, without significant loss, during any long-term base period of water supply.
- [30] Rising Water -- The effluent from a ground water basin which appears as surface flow.
- [31] Rising Water Outflow -- The quantity of rising water which occurs within a ground water basin and does not rejoin the ground water body or is not captured prior to flowing past a point of discharge from the basin.
- [32] <u>Safe Yield</u> -- The maximum quantity of water which can be extracted annually from a ground water basin under a given set of cultural conditions and extraction patterns, based on the long-term supply, without causing a continuing reduction of water in storage.
 - [33] San Fernando -- Defendant City of San Fernando.
- [34] San Fernando Basin -- The separate ground water basin underlying the area shown as such on Attachment "A".
- [35] Sportsman's Lodge -- Defendant Sportsman's Lodge Banquet Association.
- [36] Stored Water -- Ground water in a basin consisting of either (1) imported or reclaimed water which is intentionally spread, or (2) safe yield water which is allowed to

accumulate by In Lieu Storage. Said ground waters are distinguished and separately accounted for in a ground water basin, notwithstanding that the same may be physically commingled with other waters in the basin.

- [37] Sylmar Basin -- The separate ground water basin underlying the area indicated as such on Attachment "A".
- [38] Temporary Surplus -- The amount of ground water which would be required to be removed from a basin in order to avoid waste under safe yield operation.
- [39] <u>Toluca Lake</u> -- Defendant Toluca Lake Property
 Owners Association.
- [40] <u>ULARA</u> or <u>Upper Los Angeles River Area</u> -- The Upper Los Angeles River watershed, being the surface drainage area of the Los Angeles River tributary to Gage F-57.
- [41] <u>Underlying Pueblo Waters</u> -- Native waters in the San Fernando Basin which underlie safe yield and stored waters.
- [42] <u>Valhalla</u> -- Collectively, Valhalla Properties, Valhalla Memorial Park, Valhalla Mausoleum Park.
- [43] Van de Kamp -- Defendant Van de Kamp's Holland Dutch Bakers. Inc.
- [44] <u>Verdugo Basin</u> The separate ground water basin underlying the area shown as such on Attachment "A".
- [45] Water Year -- October 1 through September 30 of the following calendar year.

Geographic Names, not herein specifically defined, are used to refer to the places and locations thereof as shown on Attachment "A".

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

There are attached to these Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law the following, which are by this reference incorporated in these Findings and Conclusions and specifically referred to in the text hereof:

"A" -- Map entitled "Upper Los Angeles River Area", showing Separate Basins therein.

"B" -- List of "Dismissed Parties."

"C" -- List of "Defaulted Parties."

"D" -- List of "Disclaiming Parties."

"E" -- List of "Prior Stipulated Judgments."

"F" -- List of "Stipulated Nonconsumptive or Minimalconsumptive Use Practices."

"G" -- Map entitled "Place of Use and Service Area of Private Defendants."

"H" -- Map entitled "Public Agency Water Service Areas."

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. PARTIES

- 1.1 <u>Dismissals</u>. Dismissals heretofore have been filed as to each and all of the parties listed on Attachment "B".
- 1.2 <u>Defaults</u>. Defaults heretofore have been duly entered by the clerk against each and all of the parties listed on Attachment "C".
- 1.3 <u>Disclaimers</u>. Disclaimers heretofore have been filed by which each and all of the parties listed in Attachment "D" disclaim any claim, right, title, estate or interest in the property which is the subject matter of this action, to wit, rights in and to the surface and subsurface waters of ULARA.
- 1.4 Prior Stipulated Judgments. Separate judgments heretofore have been entered pursuant to and in accordance with stipulations entered into between Los Angeles and the parties named in
 Attachment "E". Each and all of the judgments are subject to the
 continuing jurisdiction of the court. Subsequent thereto, stipulations were filed for amendment of the forms for said stipulated
 judgment provisions to be incorporated in the final judgment
 herein, and proceedings were had as to non-stipulating parties
 pursuant to the Court's retained jurisdiction under said prior
 stipulated judgments.
- 1.5 Active Parties. The following parties have remained as active parties throughout trial, appeal and remand proceedings herein:
 - 1.5.1 Los Angeles, plaintiff herein, was incorporated under the laws of the State of California. (Stats. 1850, Ch. 30 and 60) By reason of said incorporation, Los Angeles

succeeded to all rights, claims, and powers of the Pueblo de Los Angeles, in regard to water rights. As of July 1976, its population was 2,759,564. During the period since its incorporation, annexations have extended the territory within Los Angeles from 4 to over 463 square miles. In 1902, Los Angeles had a plant investment of \$1,807,000 in its local water system facilities. Presently, it has a plant investment in such facilities of \$669,877,000.

- 1.5.2 <u>Burbank</u> is a chartered city under the laws of the State of California and was incorporated on July 8, 1911. Since 1913, Burbank has continuously provided water to its inhabitants by a municipally-owned water system. As of July 1976, its population was 83,552. Burbank's principal source of water has heretofore been from wells in the San Fernando Basin. Burbank's investment in water and power facilities and plant as of June 30, 1977 was \$92,078,290.
- 1.5.3 Glendale is a chartered city under the laws of the State of California and was incorporated on February 15, 1906. As of July 1976, its population was 131,455. The principal source of water supply for Glendale has heretofore been from wells in the San Fernando Basin; and to a lesser extent from the Verdugo Basin. Glendale had, as of June 30, 1977, a total investment in water facilities and plant of approximately \$27,400,000.
- 1.5.4 San Fernando is a general law city of the State of California and was incorporated on August 31, 1911. The territory within San Fernando has remained essentially stable while the population has grown from approximately 2,000 in

1911 to 15,169 in July, 1976. Approximately 9% of San Fernando's territory and water use overlies the Sylmar Basin and 91% overlies the San Fernando Basin. San Fernando's primary source of water is ground water pumped from the Sylmar Basin. San Fernando had, as of June 30, 1977, a total investment in water facilities and plant of approximately \$3,855,986.

1.5.5 <u>Crescenta Valley</u> is a county water district organized under the laws of the State of California. Its principal source of water supply is obtained from wells in the Verdugo Basin which are blended with imported water purchased from MWD. Crescenta Valley's total investment in plant as of December 31, 1977, amounted to \$7,199,471.

1.5.6 Private Defendants. The remaining active parties are individual or corporate defendants who are the owners of overlying lands who have produced ground water from the indicated basins within ULARA:

San Fernando Basin

Bartholomaus

Forest Lawn

Lockheed

Celeste Louise McCabe

Toluca Lake

Valhalla

Van de Kamp

Sylmar Basin

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1.6 Location of Service Areas. Place of Use and Service Area of Private Defendants are shown on Attachment "G". Public Agency Service Areas are shown on Attachment "H". Descriptions of said properties and the various interests therein are contained in Exhibits LA 307 and LA 308.

2. GEOLOGY AND HYDROLOGY

2.1 Geology.

2.1.1 ULARA. ULARA (or Upper Los Angeles River Area), is the watershed or surface drainage area tributary to the Los Angeles River at Gage F-57. Said watershed contains a total of 329,000 acres, consisting of approximately 123,000 acres of valley fill area and 206,000 acres of hill and mountain area, located primarily in the County of Los Angeles, with a small portion in the County of Ventura. Its boundaries are shown on Attachment "A". The San Gabriel Mountains form the northerly portion of the watershed, and from them two major washes -- the Pacoima and the Tujunga -- discharge southerly. Tujunga Wash traverses the valley fill in a southerly direction and joins the Los Angeles River, which follows an easterly course along the base of the Santa Monica Mountains before it turns south through the Los Angeles Narrows. The waters of Pacoima Wash as and when they flow out of Sylmar Basin are tributary to San Fernando Basin. Lesser tributary washes run from the Simi Hills and the Santa Susana Mountains in the westerly portion of the watershed. Other minor washes, including Verdugo Wash, drain the easterly portion of the watershed which consists of the Verdugo

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Mountains, the Elysian, San Rafael and Repetto Hills. Each of said washes is a non-perennial stream whose flood flows and rising waters are naturally tributary to the Los Angeles River. The Los Angeles River within ULARA and most of said tributary natural washes have been replaced, and in some instances relocated, by concrete-lined flood control channels. There are 85.3 miles of such channels within ULARA, 62% of which have lined concrete bottoms.

- 2.1.2 San Fernando Basin. San Fernando Basin is the major ground water basin in ULARA. It underlies 112,047 acres and is located in the area shown as such on Attachment "A". Boundary conditions of the San Fernando Basin consist on the east and northeast of alluvial contacts with nonwaterbearing series along the San Rafael Hills and Verdugo Mountains and the Santa Susana Mountains and Simi Hills on the northwest and west and the Santa Monica Mountains on the south. Water-bearing material in said basin extends to at least 1000 feet below the surface. Rising water outflow from the San Fernando Basin passes its downstream and southerly boundary in the vicinity of Gage F-57, which is located in Los Angeles Narrows about 300 feet upstream from the Figueroa Street (Dayton Street) Bridge. The San Fernando Basin is separated from the Sylmar Basin on the north by the eroded south limb of the Little Tujunga Syncline which causes a break in the ground water surface of about 40 to 50 feet.
- 2.1.3 Sylmar Basin. Sylmar Basin underlies 5,565 acres and is located in the area shown as such on Attachment "A". Water-bearing material in said basin extends to depths in

excess of 12,000 feet below the surface. Boundary conditions of Sylmar Basin consist of the San Gabriel Mountains on the north, a topographic divide in the valley fill between the Mission Hills and San Gabriel Mountains on the west, the Mission Hills on the southwest, Upper Lopez Canyon Saugus Formation on the east, along the east bank of Pacoima Wash, and the eroded south limb of the Little Tujunga Syncline on the south.

- 2.1.4 Verdugo Basin. Verdugo Basin underlies 4,400 acres and is located in the area shown as such on Attachment "A". Boundary conditions of Verdugo Basin consist of the San Gabriel Mountains on the north, the Verdugo Mountains on the south and southwest, the San Rafael Hills on the southeast and the topographic divide on the east between the drainage area that is tributary to the Tujunga Wash to the west and Verdugo Wash to the east, the ground water divide on the west between Monk Hill-Raymond Basin and the Verdugo Basin on the east and a submerged dam constructed at the mouth of Verdugo Canyon on the south.
- 2.1.5 <u>Eagle Rock Basin</u>. Eagle Rock Basin underlies 807 acres and is located in the area shown as such on Attachment "A". Boundary conditions of Eagle Rock Basin consist of the San Rafael Hills on the north and west and the Repetto Hills on the east and south with a small alluvial area to the southeast consisting of a topographic divide.

2.2 Hydrology.

2.2.1 Water Supply. The water supply of ULARA consists of native waters, derived from precipitation on the valley

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floor and runoff from the hill and mountain areas, and of imported water from outside the watershed. The major source of imported water has been from the Owens-Mono Aqueduct, but additional supplies have been and are now being imported through MWD from its Colorado Aqueduct and the State Aqueduct.

2.2.2 Ground Water Movement. The major water-bearing formation in ULARA is the valley fill material bounded by hills and mountains which surround it. Topographically, the valley-fill area has a generally uniform grade in a southerly and easterly direction with the slope gradually decreasing from the base of the hills and mountains to the surface drainage outlet at Gage F-57. The valley fill material is a heterogeneous mixture of clays, silts, sand and gravel laid down as alluvium. The valley fill is of greatest permeability along and easterly of Pacoima and Tujunga Washes and generally throughout the eastern portion of the valley fill area, except in the vicinity of Glendale where it is of lesser permeability. Ground water occurs mainly within the valley fill, with only negligible amounts occurring in hill and mountain areas. There is no significant ground water movement from the hill and mountain formations into the valley fill. Available geologic data do not indicate that there are any sources of native ground water other than those derived from precipitation. Ground water movement in the valley fill generally follows the surface topography and drainage except where geologic or man-made impediments occur or where the natural flow has been modified by extensive pumping.

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2.2.3 Separate Ground Water Basins. The physical and geologic characteristics of each of the ground water basins, Eagle Rock, Sylmar, Verdugo and San Fernando, cause impediments to inter-basin ground water flow whereby there is created separate underground reservoirs. Each of said basins contains a common source of water supply to parties extracting ground water from each of said basins. The amount of underflow from Sylmar Basin, Verdugo Basin and Eagle Rock Basin to San Fernando Basin is relatively small, and on the average has been approximately 540 acre feet per year from the Sylmar Basin; 80 acre feet per year from Verdugo Basin; and 50 acre feet per year from Eagle Rock Basin. Each has physiographic, geologic and hydrologic differences, one from the other, and each meets the hydrologic definition of "basin." The extractions of water in the respective basins affect the other water users within that basin but do not significantly or materially affect the ground water levels in any of the other basins. The underground reservoirs of Eagle Rock, Verdugo and Sylmar Basins are independent of one another and of the San Fernando Basin.

2.2.4 <u>Safe Yield and Native Safe Yield</u>. The safe yield and native safe yield, stated in acre feet, of the three largest basins for the year 1964-65 was as follows:

Basin	Safe Yield	Native Safe Yield
San Fernando	90,680	43,660
Sylmar	6,210	3,850
Verdugo	7,150	3,590

The safe yield of Eagle Rock Basin is derived from imported

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water delivered by Los Angeles. There is no measurable native safe yield.

- 2,2.5 Ground Water Extraction. Ground water extractions for reasonable beneficial uses have been made from each of said separate basins. Uses of water by all public agency parties were for reasonable, beneficial public uses.
- 2.2.6 Water Use and Disposal. During the 30 years from 1928-29 through 1957-58, land uses in the ULARA changed from primarily agriculture to urban. In that period, irrigated agriculture was reduced from 58,400 acres, or 47 percent of the 123,400 acres of valley fill in 1928-29, to about 16,200 acres or 13 percent in 1957-58. As of 1972-73, irrigated agriculture amounted to 6,410 acres or 5% of the valley fill area. Urban land use, comprising residential, commercial and industrial acreage, more than tripled, increasing from about 22,000 acres in 1928-29, to about 75,400 acres during 1957-In 1972-73, said urban land use amounted to 95,490 acres or 77% of the valley fill area. Sewage exports from the ULARA increased from 6,300 acre feet in 1928-29 to 63,960 acre feet in 1957-58, and amounted to 110,100 acre feet in 1975-76. During the 30 year period, imported water supplies to the ULARA increased from 102,550 acre feet in 1928-29 to 175,070 acre feet in 1957-58. As of 1975-76, the total imported supply amounted to 360,180 acre feet. During the 30 year period, in addition to import supplies, ground water was pumped from the valley fill and applied thereon for various beneficial uses. Annual extractions ranged from 34,890 acre feet in 1928-29 to 63,200 acre feet in 1957-58, and for

1975-76 the amount extracted and used within ULARA was 29,520 acre feet. Ground water was extracted and exported from the ULARA by the City of Los Angeles, and said exports varied from 54,800 acre feet in 1928-29 to 83,300 acre feet in 1957-58 and was 90,460 acre feet in 1975-76. Total annual extractions from the valley fill ranged from 89,700 acre feet in 1928-29 to 146,500 acre feet in 1957-58 and averaged 111,700 acre feet during the 29 year period. In 1975-76, total annual extractions amounted to 119,980 acre feet.

- 2.2.7 Underlying Pueblo Waters. Within San Fernando Basin, below the regulatory storage capacity, there existed in a state of nature, approximately 2.85 million acre feet of Underlying Pueblo Waters, derived from native waters. Between 1954-55 and 1976-77, a total of approximately 546,480 acre feet of Underlying Pueblo Waters was extracted and has not been replaced.
- 2.2.8 Rising Water Outflow. The amount of rising water outflow from ULARA was mainly a function of ground water in storage within the San Fernando Basin, and the resulting high water levels at various times. All of said rising water outflow past Gage F-57 was conveyed by the lined channel southerly therefrom and wasted to the ocean. The San Fernando Basin requires a ground water storage capacity of 350,000 acre feet to regulate the Safe Yield supply under cultural conditions and extraction patterns of 1964-65. The first full water year in which there was sufficient regulatory storage space in the basin was 1954-55. If safe yield operation had commenced earlier, it would have resulted in waste.

A certain amount of rising water outflow from the ULARA is unavoidable due to the hydrologic conditions of the Verdugo and San Fernando Basins. The rising water outflow from San Fernando Basin ranged from a maximum of 4,600 acre feet in 1972-73 down to 260 acre feet in 1975-76. The main source of this rising water outflow is the high ground water conditions in the western portion of the San Fernando Basin and the high water level conditions in the Verdugo Basin. The rising water outflow from the Verdugo Basin ranged from a maximum of 2880 acre feet in 1970-71 down to 1330 acre feet in 1974-75.

- 3. FACTS RELEVANT TO DECLARATION OF RIGHTS
- 3.1 With Relation to NATIVE WATERS.
 - 3.1.1 Pertaining to Pueblo Right.
 - 3.1.1.1 Reliance by Los Angeles. In building the Los Angeles Aqueduct and importing water from the Owens River, Los Angeles relied upon the pueblo right for assurance that all of the imported water would constitute an addition to its water resources rather than replacing any of its less expensive pre-existing supply from the native waters of the Los Angeles River and San Fernando Basin. The imported Owens water not only reduced the quantities which Los Angeles was required to draw from the underground waters supplying the river but also added to those waters, thus creating a temporary surplus. Los Angeles looked to the pueblo right to preserve its priority in the underground waters and to entitle it to draw on them for its needs once

such temporary surplus was gone.

Prior to the present action, Los Angeles never relied on any assumed paramount or pueblo right to the ground waters in the Sylmar or Verdugo Basins or upon any inflow to the Los Angeles River dependent upon absence or cessation of extraction of such ground water from said basins.

3.1.1.2 Surface Runoff. All surface runoff of ULARA which reaches the San Fernando Basin, including rising water outflow from Sylmar, Verdugo and Eagle Rock Basins, and rising water within San Fernando Basin, which is derived from precipitation within ULARA, is part of the native waters of the Los Angeles River, without regard to the ground water basin over and out of which such surface waters may have flowed. The long term average surface runoff from Sylmar Basin has been approximately 4,000 acre feet; and from Verdugo Basin, approximately 7,000 acre feet.

3.1.2 San Fernando Basin.

- 3.1.2.1 Extractions by Los Angeles. It has been the intent of Los Angeles at all times that its first extraction of water from San Fernando Basin in any water year should consist of the native safe yield, with subsequent extractions being applicable first to import return water, stored water and, finally, to Underlying Pueblo Waters.
- 3.1.2.2 Extractions By Glendale and Burbank.

 Extractions of ground water from the San Fernando Basin

by Glendale and Burbank have utilized the entire amount of ground water attributable to import return waters of said cities.

- 3.1.2.3 Extractions by Private Defendants. The Private Defendants extracting ground water from the San Fernando Basin are owners of overlying lands. The only waters which were extracted or may in the future under a physical solution be extracted by said defendants consist of import return waters, native safe yield, and Underlying Pueblo Waters.
 - 3.1.2.3.1 Forest Lawn, et al. The extractions by Forest Lawn, Van de Kamp, Valhalla, Southern Service and McCabe were from the San Fernando Basin and involved ground waters which were tributary to the Los Angeles River; the same were not geologically isolated from the remaining ground waters of said basin.
 - 3.1.2.3.2 <u>Bartholomaus'</u> wells were situated within the San Fernando Basin and said defendant extracted waters tributary to the Los Angeles River.
 - and Lockheed's extraction of ground waters were in part for consumptive use and in part were non-consumptive, as described in Attachment "F". Said extractions consisted of ground waters of San Fernando Basin, which are tributary to the Los Angeles River.

3.1.2.4 Overdraft. As of 1954-55, the temporary surplus in San Fernando Basin had been exhausted and the total annual extractions exceeded the safe yield. As of October 1, 1968, when the original trial court's judgment was effective, extractions were restricted to the safe yield.

3.1.3 Sylmar Basin.

- Angeles. Prior to the present action Los Angeles has not relied upon the ground waters of the Sylmar Basin as part of its pueblo right and there are no prior adjudications thereof upon which the principles of either resignations that are decisis could be predicated.
- 3.1.3.2 Absence of Overdraft. In Sylmar Basin, it has been the intent of Los Angeles that the first water extracted in any water year shall be import return water. Apart from recovery by Los Angeles of import return water, the aggregate remaining extractions of ground water from Sylmar Basin are and have been less than the native safe yield of the Basin and have not in any five successive years exceeded the native safe yield of the Basin.
- 3.1.3.3 Extractions by Private Defendants. There have not, since 1965, been any extractions of water from the Sylmar Basin by Private Defendants for uses on overlying lands. Prior to 1965, Moordigian and Hersch & Plumb (or their predecessors) extracted water for use on their lands overlying said basin.

3.1.3.4 Extractions By Cities. Los Angeles and San Fernando have extracted native waters of the Sylmar Basin in annual quantities up to, but not exceeding:

Los Angeles

1.560 acre feet

San Fernando

3,580 acre feet.

The aggregate of said maximum annual extractions, if exercised in the same water year, would exceed the native safe yield of Sylmar Basin. Said cities stipulate that said respective appropriative extractions and use be deemed to be of equal priority.

3.1.4 Verdugo Basin.

3.1.4.1 Glendale and Crescenta Valley. Glendale and Crescenta Valley are the only two extractors of ground water from the Verdugo Basin. Their extractions have been open, adverse, notorious and under claim of right, and with notice of overdraft as against private overlying owners and are in the following maximum amounts:

Glendale

Crescenta Valley 3294

Total

7150 acre feet

Angeles. Prior to the present action, Los Angeles has not relied upon the waters of the Verdugo Basin as part of its pueblo right. There are no prior adjudications of such right affecting the ground waters of Verdugo Basin upon which the principles of either res judicata or stare decisis could be predicated.

3.1.4.3 Other Defendants. No other defendants extract native waters from Verdugo Basin.

3.1.5 Eagle Rock Basin.

- 3.1.5.1 <u>Native Safe Yield</u>. Eagle Rock Basin has no measurable native safe yield.
- 3.1.5.2 Extractions. The only extractions from Eagle Rock Basin have been and are by the defendants Foremost and Deep Rock, pursuant to stipulation herein with Los Angeles.

3.2 Facts With Relation to IMPORTED WATERS.

3.2.1 Sources of Imported Water.

- 3.2.1.1 Owens-Mono Aqueduct. Los Angeles completed the construction of the first barrel of its aqueduct from the Owens Valley in 1913. Waters from the Owens River watershed, supplemented after 1940 by waters from Mono Basin watershed, have been diverted into the Owens-Mono Aqueduct for delivery to Los Angeles in each year since 1913. In 1970, the second barrel of the Owens-Mono Aqueduct was completed and the total designed operational capacity of the Owens-Mono Aqueduct was increased to an average 666 cubic feet per second (482,000 acre feet per year).
- 3.2.1.2 Colorado Aqueduct. MWD was formed in 1929 of 13 original member agencies, including Los Angeles, Glendale and Burbank. In 1940, MWD completed construction of its aqueduct for delivery of water from the Colorado River to the South Coastal Plain of California, within which ULARA is located. In 1971, San Fernando

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became a member agency in MWD.

3.2.1.3 State Aqueduct. MWD, as a contractor under the State Water Resources Development System, has a right to approximately two million acre feet of water for its service area, including the territories of its member agencies, Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando. The State Aqueduct was completed in 1972-73 and delivered water diverted from the San Joaquin-Sacramento Delta to Castaic Lake. From Castaic, water has been delivered through facilities of MWD for uses within ULARA.

3.2.2 Methods of Recharge.

3.2.2.1 Import Return Water. Imported water has been delivered for municipal, industrial and irrigation uses on lands overlying the ground water basins within ULARA. Both the application of irrigation water and the domestic use of water for lawns, gardens and other uses result in Import Return Waters. Under present conditions, the return flow of delivered water in the San Fernando and Eagle Rock Basins is 20.8%, or 26.3% when effect is given to repeated recirculation of extracted return flows; in the Sylmar Basin, 35.7%; and in the Verdugo Basin, 36.7%; in the instances of Glendale and Burbank, where segregation of delivered imported water to valley fill is impractical of precise calculation, the total import return water may reasonably be assumed to be 20.0% of delivered water to the San Fernando Basin and the hill and mountain areas

immediately tributary thereto. In calculating delivered water by Glendale, 105% of all water sales by Glendale in the Verdugo Basin and its tributary hills is approximately equal to the quantity delivered by Glendale outside of the San Fernando Basin and its immediate tributory hill and mountain areas.

3.2.2.2 Direct Recharge. There exist, in the San Fernando Basin, spreading grounds as shown on Attachment "A" which are owned or operated by Los Angeles County Flood Control District and by Los Angeles. Imported water has heretofore been spread in Los Angeles' spreading grounds to recharge ground water in the San Fernando Basin. Losses by evaporation or transpiration in such spreading operations are negligible, i.e., significantly less than 1%. Normally there is substantial annual excess spreading capacity in said spreading grounds over and above the requirements for spreading native waters to allow significant increases in direct spreading of imported or reclaimed waters by the parties in the future.

3.2.2.3 In Lieu Storage. Any party having rights to extract ground water from a basin could take surface delivery of imported water in lieu of ground water extractions with the intent of allowing the accumulation of ground water in the basin. The net effect of such practice is the equivalent of having spread such imported water. Such in lieu storage practice, if utilized, is more economical and energy-efficient than the

dual spreading-extraction procedure.

3.2.3 San Fernando Basin.

- 3.2.3.1 Los Angeles. Los Angeles has heretofore delivered imported water to its customers and inhabitants with an intent to recapture the same. In addition, Los Angeles has spread imported water in spreading grounds in San Fernando Basin.
- 3.2.3.2 Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando.

 Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando have each purchased imported water from MWD and delivered it for use by customers overlying San Fernando Basin, and have an intent to recapture import return waters therefrom.

 Neither Burbank, Glendale nor San Fernando have heretofore spread imported water in San Fernando Basin.
- 3.2.3.3 <u>San Fernando</u>. Approximately 91% of the area of San Fernando overlies San Fernando Basin. Since its annexation to MWD, San Fernando has delivered some imported water to the lands overlying San Fernando Basin. Said city does not have water extraction or distribution facilities for the recovery of Import Return Water from the San Fernando Basin. It is both economical and practical for the City of San Fernando to extract water in a quantity equivalent to its San Fernando Basin import return water credit from its well fields in the Sylmar Basin, on the basis of a physical solution authorizing Los Angeles to reduce its Sylmar Basin extractions an equivalent amount and receive an offsetting entitlement for additional San Fernando Basin

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extractions.

3.2.3.4 Private Defendants. No private defendant imports water to the San Fernando Basin.

3.2.4 Sylmar Basin.

- 3.2.4.1 Los Angeles and San Fernando. Los Angeles and San Fernando have delivered imported water for use on lands overlying the Sylmar Basin. Quantities of such import by Los Angeles have varied from year to year. For example, in 1975-76, a total of 6640 acre feet was imported by Los Angeles, with 2370 acre feet return flow resulting from delivery of such imports. The quantity of San Fernando's imported water to, and the return flow therefrom, in Sylmar Basin in the past has been of such minimal quantities that the same have not been calculated. Sylmar Basin has some carry-over storage space available for accumulation of safe yield waters, so long as the underflow through the Sylmar Notch does not exceed 400 acre feet per year.
- 3.2.5 Verdugo Basin.
- 3.2.5.1 Los Angeles. Los Angeles has delivered imported water for use on lands overlying the Verdugo Basin. Los Angeles does not have water extraction facilities in Verdugo Basin and has not heretofore extracted or asserted an import return water credit for ground water therein.
- 3.2.5.2 Glendale and Crescenta Valley. Both Glendale and Crescenta Valley have caused imported water purchased from MWD to be delivered for use on lands

 overlying Verdugo Basin. The amount of any import return water credit from such imported water was included, without segregation, in the total appropriative and prescriptive rights of said parties in said Basin, as heretofore found in Finding 3.1.4.1.

- 3.2.5.3 Private Defendants. None of the private defendants import water to Verdugo Basin.
- 3.2.6 Eagle Rock Basin.
- 3.2.6.1 Los Angeles. Substantially all ground water in Eagle Rock Basin is the result of return flows from water imported by Los Angeles and delivered for overlying use in said basin.
- 3.2.6.2 <u>Private Defendants</u>. None of the private defendants import water to Eagle Rock Basin.
- 3.3 Facts Relevant to Rights to Ground Water Storage Capacity.
 - 3.3.1 San Fernando Basin. The total ground water storage capacity of San Fernando Basin is approximately 3,200,000 acre feet. Under present conditions regulatory storage capacity of 350,000 acre feet is required. As of 1954-55, the temporary surplus in the Basin had been exhausted. The aggregate over-extraction of ground water since 1954-55 from San Fernando Basin has been approximately 520,000 acre feet. This accumulated over-extraction constituted a depletion of the Underlying Pueblo Waters of the Basin, and provides ground water reservoir capacity for conjunctive operation of San Fernando Basin for storage of additional imported water.

- 3.3.2 Sylmar Basin. Sylmar Basin consists of confined aquifers. It has ground water storage capacity of approximately 310,000 acre feet. Storage space in said basin is available for storage of water and regulation of safe yield.
- 3.3.3 <u>Verdugo Basin</u>. The ground water storage capacity of Verdugo Basin is approximately 160,000 acre feet.
- 3.3.4 Eagle Rock Basin. The ground water storage capacity of Eagle Rock Basin is approximately 6,000 acre feet.

 All of said storage capacity is required to store and regulate the import return waters of Los Angeles, which constitute the safe yield in said basin.
- 3.3.5 Fungibility of Imported Waters and Native Waters. Native waters and imported waters, whether derived from return flow from delivered water or as a result of direct spreading or recharge, may be physically mixed and are indistinguishable within the respective basins. Notwithstanding said lack of specific identity, the quantities of such water are calculably identifiable and may be appropriately accounted for in terms of storage and extraction.

4. THREAT OF IRREPARABLE INJURY

- 4.1 San Fernando Basin. In the absence of injunctive restraint, there is a threat of extractions in excess of Safe Yield in the San Fernando Basin. Unless the parties are restrained and enjoined from extracting in excess of their rights in the San Fernando Basin, there will be a long term decline in water levels, there will be irreparable injury to the rights of the parties.
 - 4.2 Sylmar Basin. The Sylmar Basin is not presently in a

condition of overdraft. So long as the extractions by all parties within the Basin do not exceed the safe yield, there is no threat of irreparable damage.

- 4.3 Verdugo Basin. The Verdugo Basin is not presently in a condition of overdraft, primarily because of reductions in extractions by Glendale and Crescenta Valley due to the poor quality of ground water from the Basin. In the event either or both of said parties were to undertake to extract ground water in excess of their full rights in the Verdugo Basin, said pumping would result in depletion of the supplies in the Basin and cause irreparable damage.
- 4.4 Eagle Rock Basin. In the Eagle Rock Basin there is a threat of irreparable injury to the rights of Los Angeles if continued extractions by Foremost and Deep Rock are continued without compensation to Los Angeles.

5. FACTS INDICATING NEED FOR RETENTION OF CONTINUING JURISDICTION AND WATERMASTER ADMINISTRATION

- 5.1 Changing Conditions. The hydrologic conditions upon which these findings are based change from year to year as cultural conditions, extraction patterns and water supply conditions vary.
- 5.2 <u>Need for Accounting and Reports</u>. In order to properly enforce and assure compliance with the provisions of the judgment herein, it will be necessary that detailed measurements, accounting and reports be maintained.

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6. FACTS RELEVANT TO PHYSICAL SOLUTIONS

between 1913 and 1954, when there existed a temporary surplus in the San Fernando Basin, overlying cities installed and operated water extraction storage and transmission facilities. If the injunction against interference with the prior and paramount right of Los Angeles to the waters of the San Fernando Basin were strictly enforced, the value and utility of those water systems and facilities would be impaired, and said parties would be required to make significant investment in new facilities to treat, store and transmit water supplies from imported surface sources. It is possible by making appropriate provision for compensation to fashion a decree which will allow continued limited extractions from the San Fernando and Eagle Rock Basins by such parties upon assurance that Los Angeles will be compensated for any cost expense or loss incurred as a result thereof.

5upplies. Los Angeles has constructed and operates its Owens-Mono Aqueduct, and has an accumulated capital investment therein of \$196,557,000. In addition, Los Angeles is a member agency of MWD and therefrom acquires imported water supplies from the Colorado and State Aqueduct. During the period 1929-1976, Los Angeles has paid \$335,293,633 to MWD. Glendale and Burbank are also member agencies of MWD and have respectively paid a total of \$16,168,252 and \$15,205,171 in taxes to MWD during said period. San Fernando became a member agency of MWD in 1971 and assumed a capital obligation for annexation fees of \$2,271,421 and has from the date of said annexation to July 1, 1976, paid taxes to MWD in the

 amount of \$533,310. Crescenta Valley is a part of Foothill Municipal Water District, a member agency of MWD. Crescenta Valley's share of unpaid annexation fees of Foothill MWD as of July 1, 1976 is \$184,051, and to that date Crescenta Valley has paid \$762,749 in taxes to MWD.

- 6.3 Prior Stipulated Judgments. Several defendants heretofore entered into separate stipulated judgments herein, during the
 period June, 1958 to November, 1965, each of which judgments were
 subject to the Court's continuing jurisdiction. Without modification of the substantive terms of said prior judgments, the same
 are categorized and merged into this judgment and superseded
 hereby in the exercise of the Court's continuing jurisdiction, as
 follows:
 - Foremost and Deep Rock have extracted water from Eagle Rock Basin, whose entire safe yield consists of import return waters of Los Angeles. Los Angeles, in turn, has abstained from extracting water from Eagle Rock Basin. Said parties extract water from Eagle Rock Basin to supply their bottled drinking water requirements and pay Los Angeles annually an amount equal to \$21.78 per acre foot for the first 200 acre feet, and \$39.20 per acre foot for any additional water extracted. The net result of said extractions is to maintain said basin in a state of hydrologic equilibrium.
 - 6.3.2 Non-Consumptive or Minimal-consumptive Use
 Operations. Certain stipulating defendants extract water
 from San Fernando Basin for uses which are either nonConsumptive or have a minimal consumptive impact. Each of

said defendants who have minimal consumptive use, has a connection to the City of Los Angeles water system and purchases annually an amount of water at least equivalent to the consumptive loss of extracted ground water. Said defendants are:

Non-Consumptive

Walt Disney Productions

Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Carnation Company, by and through its subsidiary McGraw
Minimal Consumptive

Conrock Co, for itself and as successor to

California Materials Co.; Constance Ray White and

Lee L. White; Mary L. Akmadzich and Peter J.

Akmadzich

Livingston Rock & Gravel, for itself and as

successor to Los Angeles Land & Water Co.

The nature of each said defendant's water use practices is
described in Attachment "F". The continued extractions by
said defendants for said purposes, so long as in any year
such parties purchase water from Los Angeles in quantities
sufficient to offset the consumptive use of such extracted
water, will result in no adverse impact on the operations of
Los Angeles.

6.3.3 Abandoned Operations. The following stipulating defendants have ceased extracting water from San Fernando Basin and no further need exists for physical solution in their behalf:

Knickerbocker Plastic Company, Inc.

Hidden Hills Mutual Water Company
Southern Pacific Railroad Co.
Pacific Fruit Express Co.

6.4 Private Defendants. There are private defendants who installed during the years of temporary surplus relatively substantial facilities to extract and utilize ground waters of San Fernando Basin. Said defendants could, without impairing substantially the operations of Los Angeles, Glendale or Burbank, continue their extractions for consumptive use up to the indicated annual quantities upon compensating the appropriate city wherein their use of water is principally located, to wit:

			Annual Quantities (acre feet)
Los Angeles	pp.	Toluca Lake Sportsman's Lodge	100 -25
		Van de Kamp	120
Glendale	***		400
		Southern Service Co.	75
Burbank	-	Valhalla	300
		Lockheed	25

6.5 Glendale and Burbank. Glendale and Burbank have each installed substantial facilities to extract and utilize surplus ground waters of the San Fernando Basin. In addition to the use of such facilities to recover import return water, the distribution facilities of such cities can be more efficiently utilized by relying upon the San Fernando Basin for peaking supplies in order to reduce the need for new surface storage. Without materially interfering with the operations of Los Angeles, Glendale and Burbank could take annual quantities of ground water from the San Fernando Basin, in addition to their rights to import return

water, as heretofore declared, in quantities up to:

Glendale

5,500 acre feet

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provided, that said cities compensate Ios Angeles for additional extractions over and above their declared rights at a rate per acre foot equal to the average MWD price for municipal and industrial water delivered to Ios Angeles during such fiscal year, less the average energy cost of extracted ground water by Ios Angeles from San Fernando Basin during the preceding fiscal year.

San Fernando. San Fernando delivers imported water on lands overlying the San Fernando Basin, by reason of which said city has a right to recover import return water. San Fernando does not have water extraction facilities in the San Fernando Basin, nor would it be economically useful for such facilities to be installed. Both San Fernando and Los Angeles will have decreed appropriative rights and each owns extraction facilities in the Sylmar Basin. It is possible, and economically feasible, and would not operate to the detriment of Los Angeles or other parties, for San Fernando to extract an equivalent amount of water from the Sylmar Basin to utilize its San Fernando Basin import return water credit and for Los Angeles to reduce its Sylmar Basin extractions by an equivalent amount and receive an offsetting entitlement for additional San Fernando Basin extractions. In this manner, the parties would be compensated, could exercise the full quantity of their rights, and neither would be required to make investment in or install new or additional water extraction or distribution facilities.

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- 7.1 Interim Mining Order. In response to the drought conditions of 1976-77, the Court entered an "Order Authorizing Temporary Mining of San Fernando Basin" on June 17, 1977. Pursuant to said order, extractions in excess of safe yield rights were made from San Fernando Basin during said water year. During the water year 1977-78, imported water was spread in sufficient quantities to replace such mined water.
- 7.2 Prior Judgment Allocating Reference Costs. The costs of the reference herein in the total amount of \$493,264, were allocated by a separate judgment herein, entered on March 15, 1968.

 All of said costs were in fact paid pursuant to said apportionment.
- 7.3 Findings as Conclusions. If any of the foregoing Findings of Fact are held to be Conclusions of Law, in whole or in part, the Court hereby determines and concludes the same to be true and correct.

 1. PARTIES

- 1.1 <u>Defaulting and Disclaiming Defendants</u>. Each of the defendants listed on Attachment "C" and Attachment "D" is without any right, title or interest in, or to any claim to extract ground water from ULARA or any of the separate ground water basins therein.
- 1.2 No Rights Other Than as Herein Declared. No party to this action has any rights in or to the waters of ULARA except to the extent declared herein.

2. GEOLOGY AND HYDROLOGY

- 2.1 <u>Separate Basins -- Separate Rights</u>. The rights of the parties to extract ground water within ULARA are separate and distinct as within each of the several ground water basins within said watershed.
- 2.2 Hydrologic Condition of Basins. The several basins within ULARA are in varying hydrologic conditions, which result in different legal consequences.
 - 2.2.1 San Fernando Basin. The first full year of overdraft in San Fernando Basin was 1954-55. It remained in overdraft continuously until 1968, when an injunction herein became effective. Thereafter, the basin was placed on safe yield operation. Under present conditions there is no surplus ground water available for appropriation or overlying use from San Fernando Basin.
 - 2.2.2 <u>Sylmar Basin</u>. Sylmar Basin is not in overdraft. There remains safe yield over and above the present

reasonable beneficial overlying uses, from which safe yield the appropriative rights of Los Angeles and San Fernando may be and have been exercised.

- 2.2.3 <u>Verdugo Basin</u>. Verdugo Basin was in overdraft for more than five consecutive years prior to 1968. Said basin is not currently in overdraft, due to decreased extractions by Glendale and Crescenta Valley on account of poor water quality. However, the combined appropriative and prescriptive rights of Glendale and Crescenta Valley are equivalent to the safe yield of the Basin.
- 2.2.4 Eagle Rock Basin. The only measurable water supply to Eagle Rock Basin is import return water by reason of importations by Los Angeles. Extractions by Foremost and Deep Rock under the prior stipulated judgments have utilized the safe yield of Eagle Rock Basin, and have maintained hydrologic equilibrium therein.

3. CONCLUSIONS RE RIGHTS

3.1 Right to Native Waters.

3.1.1 Los Angeles River and San Fernando Basin.

- 3.1.1.1 Los Angeles' Pueblo Right. Los Angeles, as the successor to all rights, claims and powers of the Spanish Pueblo of Los Angeles in regard to water rights, is the owner of a prior and paramount pueblo right to the surface waters of the Los Angeles River and the native ground waters of San Fernando Basin to meet its reasonable beneficial needs and for its inhabitants.
 - 3.1.1.2 Stare Decisis. In past decisions, the

Supreme Court has held (1) that, Los Angeles and its predecessor pueblo had a paramount right, based on Spanish and Mexican law, to use the waters of the Los Angeles River to the extent of its municipal needs and those of its inhabitants (Vernon Irrigation Co. v. City of Los Angeles, 106 Cal. 237, 244-251; Lux v. Haggin, 69 Cal. 255, 313-334, and (2) that the existence of this pueblo water right is a rule of law (City of Los Angeles v. City of Glendale, 23 Cal.2d 68, 73; City of Los Angeles v. Hunter, 156 Cal. 603, 608; City of Los Angeles v. Los Angeles Farming & Milling Co., 152 Cal. 647, 652; City of Los Angeles v. Pomeroy, 124 Cal. 597, 641), and a rule of property (City of San Diego v. Cuyamaca Water Co., 209 Cal. 105, 122) under the doctrine of stare decisis.

- 3.1.1.3 Extent of Pueblo Right. Pursuant to said pueblo right, Los Angeles is entitled to satisfy its needs and those of its inhabitants within its boundaries as from time to time modified. Water which is in fact used for pueblo right purposes is and shall be deemed needed for such purposes.
- 3.1.1.4 Pueblo Right -- Nature and Priority of Exercise. The pueblo right of Los Angeles is a prior and paramount right to all of the surface waters of the Los Angeles River, and native ground water in San Fernando Basin, to the extent of the reasonable needs and uses of Los Angeles and its inhabitants throughout the corporate area of Los Angeles, as its boundaries may

exist from time to time. To the extent that the Basin contains native waters and imported waters, it is presumed that the first water extracted by Los Angeles in any water year is pursuant to its pueblo right, up to the amount of the native safe yield. The next extractions by Los Angeles in any year are deemed to be from import return water, followed by stored water, to the full extent of Los Angeles' right to such stored water. In the event of need to meet water requirements of its inhabitants, Los Angeles has the additional right, pursuant to its pueblo right, to withdraw temporarily from storage Underlying Pueblo Waters, subject to an obligation to replace such water as soon as practical.

3.1.1.5 Rights of Other Parties. No other party to this action has any right in or to the surface waters of the Los Angeles River or the native safe yield of the San Fernando Basin.

3.1.2 Sylmar Basin Rights.

- 3.1.2.1 No Pueblo Rights. The pueblo right of Los Angeles does not extend to or include ground waters in Sylmar Basin.
- 3.1.2.2 Overlying Rights. Defendants Moordigian and Hersch & Plumb own lands overlying Sylmar Basin and have a prior correlative right to extract native waters from said Basin for reasonable beneficial uses on their said overlying lands. Said right is appurtenant to said overlying lands and water extracted pursuant thereto may not be exported from said lands nor can said right be

transferred or assigned separate and apart from said overlying lands.

3.1.2.3 Appropriative Rights of San Fernando and Los Angeles own appropriative rights, of equal priority, to extract and put to reasonable beneficial use for the needs of said cities and their inhabitants, native waters of the Sylmar Basin in excess of the exercised reasonable beneficial needs of overlying users. Said appropriative rights are:

San Fernando 3,580 acre feet
Los Angeles 1,560 acre feet.

- 3.1.2.4 No Prescription. The Sylmar Basin is not presently in a state of overdraft and no rights by prescription exist in said Basin against any overlying or appropriative water user.
- 3.1.2.5 Other Parties. No other party to this action owns or possesses any right to extract native ground waters from the Sylmar Basin.

3.1.3 Verdugo Basin Rights.

- 3.1.3.1 No Pueblo Rights. The pueblo right of Los Angeles does not extend to or include ground water in Verdugo Basin.
- 3.1.3.2 Prescriptive Rights of Glendale and Crescenta Valley. Glendale and Crescenta Valley own prescriptive rights as against each other and against all private overlying or appropriative parties in the Verdugo Basin to extract, with equal priority, the

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following quantities of water from the combined safe yield of native and imported waters in Verdugo Basin:

Glendale

3,856 acre feet

Crescenta Valley 3,294 acre feet.

3.1.3.3 Other Parties. No other party to this action owns or possesses any right to extract native ground waters from the Verdugo Basin.

3.1.4 Eagle Rock Basin Rights.

- 3.1.4.1 No Pueblo Rights. The pueblo right of Los Angeles does not extend to or include ground water in Eagle Rock Basin.
- 3.1.4.2 No Rights in Native Waters. The Eagle Rock Basin has no significant or measurable native safe yield and no parties have or assert any right or claim to native waters in said Basin.

3.2 Rights to Imported Waters.

3.2.1 San Fernando Basin Rights.

3.2.1.1 Rights to Recapture Import Return Water. Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando have each caused imported waters to be brought into ULARA and to be delivered to lands overlying the San Fernando Basin, with the result that percolation and return flow of such delivered water has caused imported waters to become a part of the safe yield of San Fernando Basin. Each of said parties has a right to extract from San Fernando Basin that portion of the safe yield of the Basin attributable to such import return waters.

Water. Los Angeles has heretofore spread imported water directly in San Fernando Basin. Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando each have rights to store water in San Fernando Basin by direct spreading or in lieu practices. To the extent of any future spreading or in lieu storage of import water or reclaimed water by Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank or San Fernando, the party causing said water to be so stored shall have a right to extract an equivalent amount of ground water from San Fernando Basin. The right to extract waters attributable to such storage practices is an undivided right to a quantity of water in San Fernando Basin equal to the amount of such Stored Water to the credit of any party, as reflected in Watermaster's records.

3.2.1.3 Calculation of Import Return Water and Stored Water Credits. The extraction rights of Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando in San Fernando Basin in any year, insofar as such rights are based upon import return water, shall only extend to the amount of any accumulated import return water credit of such party by reason of imported water delivered after September 30, 1977. In calculating the annual credit for such import return water, the following methods should be applied:

Los Angeles:

20.8% of all delivered water (including reclaimed water) to valley fill lands of San Pernando Basin.

San Fernando:

26.3% of all imported and reclaimed water delivered to valley fill lands of San Fernando Basin.

Burbank:

20.0% of all delivered water (including reclaimed water) to San Fernando Basin and its tributary hill and mountain areas.

Glendale:

20.0% of all delivered water (including reclaimed water) to San Fernando Basin and its tributary hill and mountain areas (i.e., total delivered water, including reclaimed water, less 105% of total sales by Glendale in Verdugo Basin and its tributary hills).

In calculating Stored Water credit, by reason of direct spreading of imported or reclaimed water, it should be assumed that 100% of such spread water reached the ground water in the year spread.

- 3.2.1.4 Private Defendant. No private defendant is entitled to extract water from the San Fernando Basin on account of the importation of water thereto by overlying public entities.
- 3.2.2 Sylmar Basin Rights.
- 3.2.2.1 Rights to Recapture Import Return Water.

 Los Angeles and San Fernando have caused imported waters to be brought into ULARA and delivered to lands overlying the Sylmar Basin with the result that percolation and return flow of such delivered water has caused imported waters to become a part of the safe yield of Sylmar Basin. Los Angeles and San Fernando are entitled to recover from Sylmar Basin such imported return

waters. In calculating the annual entitlement to recapture such import return water, hos Angeles and San Fernando shall be entitled to 35.7% of the preceding water year's imported water delivered by such party to lands overlying Sylmar Basin. Thus, by way of example, in 1976-77, Los Angeles was entitled to extract 2,370 acre feet of ground water from Sylmar Basin, based on delivery to lands overlying said Basin of 6,640 acre feet during 1975-76. The quantity of San Fernando's imported water to, and the return flow therefrom, in the Sylmar Basin in the past has been of such minimal quantities that it has not been calculated.

- 3.2.2.2 Rights to Store and Recapture Stored
 Water. Los Angeles and San Fernando each have the right
 to store water in Sylmar Basin equivalent to their
 rights in San Fernando Basin under Conclusion 3.2.1.2.
- 3.2.2.3 <u>Carry Over</u>. Said rights to recapture stored water, import return water or other safe yield waters to which a party is entitled, if not exercised in a given year, may be carried over for not to exceed five (5) years, if the underflow through Sylmar Notch does not exceed 400 acre feet per year.
- 3.2.2.4 Private Defendants. No private defendant is entitled to extract water from within the Sylmar Basin on account of the importation of water thereto by overlying public entities.

3.2.3 Verdugo Basin Rights.

3.2.3.1 Glendale and Crescenta Valley. Glendale

and Crescenta Valley own appropriative and prescriptive rights in and to the total safe yield of Verdugo Basin, without regard to the portions thereof derived from native water and from delivered imported waters, not-withstanding that both of said parties have caused waters to be imported and delivered on lands overlying Verdugo Basin. Said aggregate rights are as declared in Paragraph 3.1.3.2 of these Conclusions.

- 3.2.3.2 Los Angeles. Los Angeles may have a right to recapture import return waters by reason of delivered imported water in the Basin, based upon imports during and after water year 1977-78, upon application to Watermaster not later than the year following such import, and on subsequent order after hearing by the Court.
- 3.2.3.3 Private Defendants. No private defendant is entitled to extract water from within the Verdugo Basin on account of the importation of water thereto by overlying public entities.

3.2.4 Eagle Rock Basin Rights.

- 3.2.4.1 Los Angeles. Los Angeles has caused imported water to be delivered for use on lands overlying Eagle Rock Basin and return flow from said delivered imported water constitutes the entire safe yield of Eagle Rock Basin. Los Angeles has the right to extract or cause to be extracted the entire safe yield of Eagle Rock Basin.
 - 3.2.4.2 Private Defendants. No private

defendants have a right to extract water from within Eagle Rock Basin, except pursuant to the physical solution herein.

4. INJUNCTIONS

- 4.1 Los Angeles' Pueblo Right. An injunction should issue against each and all defendants should be enjoined and restrained from any diversion of surface flow of the Los Angeles River or any extraction of native ground waters of San Fernando Basin.
 - 4.2 Other San Fernando Basin Restraints.
 - 4.2.1 Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando. Glendale, Burbank and San Fernando should each be enjoined and restrained from extracting ground water from San Fernando Basin in any water year in an amount in excess of their respective import return water credit and any stored water credits as reflected in Watermaster's records, except pursuant to physical solution herein decreed.
 - 4.2.2 <u>San Fernando</u>. San Fernando should be enjoined and restrained from extracting water from the San Fernando Basin in any water year in an amount in excess of their right to import return water and any stored water credits as reflected in the Watermaster's records, except pursuant to physical solution herein decreed.
 - 4.2.3 Los Angeles. Los Angeles should be enjoined from extracting ground water from San Fernando Basin in any year in excess of the native safe yield, plus its right to import return water and any stored water credit as reflected in Watermaster's records; except where the needs of Los Angeles

require extraction of Underlying Pueblo Waters, and then subject to an obligation to replace such ground water within a reasonable period.

- 4.2.4 Private Defendants. Each and all private parties should be enjoined from extracting ground water from San Fernando Basin, except pursuant to a physical solution herein decreed.
- 4.2.5 Non-consumptive and Minimal-Consumptive Use

 Parties. The parties listed in Attachment "F" should be
 enjoined from extracting water from San Fernando Basin,
 except in accordance with practices specified in Attachment
 "F".

4.3 Sylmar Basin.

4.3.1 No Injunction Required Against Active Parties.

No injunction is appropriate as against active parties at the present time with regard to the ground waters of the Sylmar Basin, inasmuch as no party or class of parties in said Basin has continuously extracted or threatened to extract water under conditions which damaged or impaired the rights of others therein; provided that the judgment herein should require adequate notice in the event of future overdraft or adversity of extractions or use.

4.4 Verdugo Basin.

- 4.4.1 Glendale and Crescenta Valley. Glendale and Crescenta Valley should each be enjoined and restrained from extracting ground water from Verdugo Basin in excess of their appropriative and prescriptive rights therein.
 - 4.4.2 Los Angeles. Los Angeles should be enjoined and

 restrained from extracting waters from within the Verdugo
Basin in excess of any right to recapture import return water
which may be determined by subsequent order of the Court in
the exercise of its continuing jurisdiction.

- 4.4.3 Other Defendants. All other defendants should be enjoined and restrained from extracting ground water from within Verdugo Basin.
- 4.5 Eagle Rock Basin.
- 4.5.1 Private Defendants. Private defendants should be enjoined and restrained from extracting water from within Eagle Rock Basin, except pursuant to the physical solution decreed herein.
- 4.6 <u>Defaulting and Disclaiming Parties</u>. Defendants listed in Attachments "C" and "D" should be enjoined and restrained from extracting or diverting water within ULARA, except pursuant to physical solution.

5. NEED FOR CONTINUING JURISDICTION AND WATERMASTER ADMINISTRATION

- 5.1 Appropriateness of Continuing Jurisdiction. It is necessary and appropriate that the Court retain and exercise its continuing jurisdiction to administer, supervise, and enforce the judgment in this action and adapt its provisions to material changes in hydrologic or other relevant conditions which may hereafter occur.
- 5.2 <u>Watermaster</u>. It is necessary and appropriate for purposes of administration and exercise of its continuing jurisdiction that the Court appoint a Watermaster and empower such

Watermaster, subject to appropriate approval of affected parties within the several basins, to administer its judgment, and to prepare necessary reports.

6. PHYSICAL SOLUTION

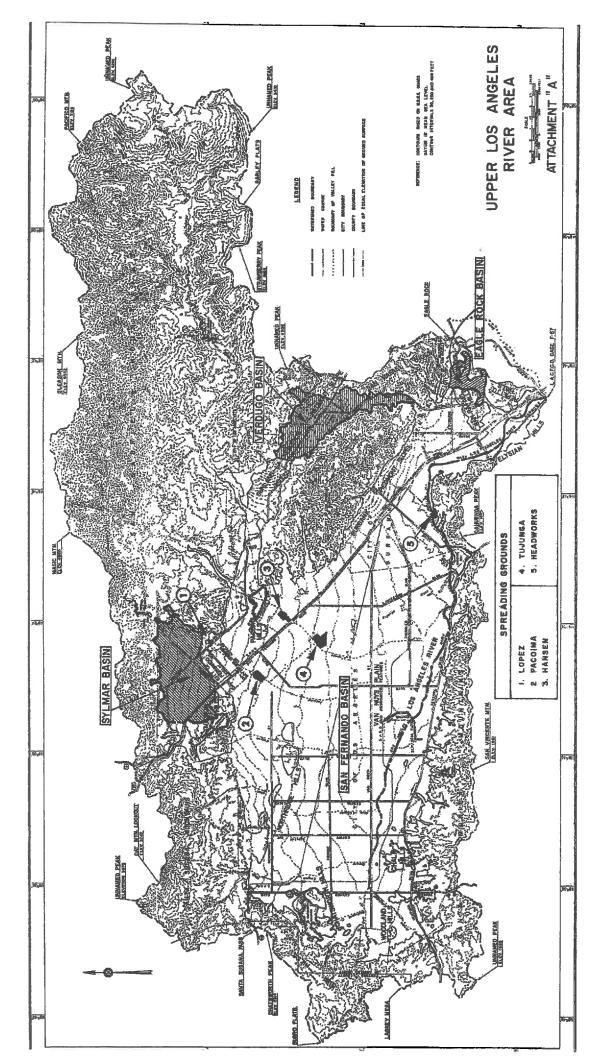
6.1 Appropriateness and Necessity. There exist in the several ground water basins numerous instances and circumstances wherein the needs and requirements of the several parties can be met by the adoption of a reasonable physical solution which will protect and preserve the substantial rights of all other parties. The Court should decree and implement appropriate physical solutions in said circumstances. The physical solution conditions found in Findings 6.1 to 6.6, inclusive, are fair and reasonable. Any such physical solution should be effective on October 1, 1978, based upon production during the water year 1977-78.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

- 7.1 Costs. All costs should be borne by each party as heretofore paid and allocated.
- 7.2 Conclusions as Findings. If any of the foregoing Conclusions of Law are held to be Findings of Fact, in whole or in part, the Court hereby finds the same to be true and correct.

DATED: 26 , 1979.

Judge of the Syprior Court



ATTACHMENT "B" LIST OF DISMISSED PARTIES

Adams, Catherine

Adair, Leo W.

Anderson, Jesse E.

Anderson, Elizabeth A.

Anderson, Leland H.

Anderson, Bessie E.

Bank of America, N.T. & S.A., (Trustee)

Becker, Barbara

Beatrice Foods Company

Becker, Bert

Bishop, Elfreda N.

Bishop, William E.

Block, Leonard W.

Block, Margery J.

Burbank C. U. School District

Busk, Rodney E.

California, State of

California Trust Company, (Trustee)

California Trust Company, Trustee for First National Bank of Glendale

Citizens N.T.S. Bank of L.A., Trustee of M. M. Crenshaw

Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles

Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles, Trustge, Deed of Trust 3724

Color Corporation of America

Corporation of America

Corporation of America, Trustee for Bank of America 32

Doe Corporation, 10-58

Doe 18-500

Duckworth, John W., (Estate of)

Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States

Fidelity Federal Savings & Loan Association

Fitz-Patrick, Ada H.

Fitz-Patrick, C. C.

Frank X. Enderle, Inc., Ltd.

George, Plorence H.

George, Elton

Ghiglia, Frank P.

Givan, Amelia (Deceased)

Glendale Junior College District
of Los Angeles County

Glendale Unified School District

Glenhaven Memorial Park, Inc.

Griffith, Howard Barton

Handorf, August V., Heirs of

Hanna, George

Hicks, Forrest W., Executor of Estate of (California Bank)

Houston-Fearless Corp., The

Industrial Fuel Supply Co.

Intervalley Savings & Loan Association

Julius, Adenia C.

Julius, Louis A.

Kaesemeyer, Edna M.

Karagozian, Charles

Kates, Nathan as Co-Executor, Estate of Duckworth

Kelley, June

Kelley, Victor B.

Kiener, Harry, Deceased, Heirs of

Knupp, Guy, Trustee

Landes, Clara Bartlett

Lentz, Richard

Los Angeles County Flood Control District

Los Angeles Land and Water Company

Los Angeles Trust and Savings Deposit Company (Safe)

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Los Angeles Safe Deposit Company, Trustee for Security First National Bank of Los Angeles

Los Angeles Trust and Safe Deposit Company, Trustee for H. Kiener

Lytle, Lydia L.

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company

Mahannah, E. E.

Mahannah, Hazel E.

M.C.A., Inc.

Mangan, Blanche M.

Mangan, Nicholas

McDougal, Murray

McDougal, Marian Y.

Mellenthin, Helen Louise

Mellenthin, William

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Morgan, Kenneth H.

Morgan, Anne

Mulholland Orchard Company

Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York

Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company

Oakmont Club

Oakwood Cemetery Association

Pasadena Savings & Loan Association

Pagliai, Bruno

Pacific Lighting Corporation

Pierce Brothers Mortuary

Premier Laundry Company, Inc.

Pur-o-Spring Water Company

Renfrow, Mary Mildred

Renfrow, Pleasant Thomas

Reinert, H. C.

Reinert, Lauretta

Richardson, Helen I.

Richardson, William L.

Security First National Bank of Los Angeles, Trustee

Security First National Bank of Los Angeles, Trustee for L. Schwaiger, etc.

Smith, T. A.

Smith, Sidney, Estate of, F. Small, Administrator

Southern California Service Corp., Trustee for Verdugo Savings and Loan Association

Sylmar Properties Inc.

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, I. 1570

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for Western Mortgage Company

Title Guarantee & Trustee Company, Trustee

Title Insurance & Trust Company, Trustee for C. Fitz-Patrick

Title Insurance & Trust Company.
Trustee for Intervalley Savings
and Loan Association, 1114

Title Insurance & Trust Company, for Fidelity Savings & Loan Association

Title Insurance & Trust Company for Equitable Life Assurance Society, U.S.

Union Bank & Trust Company of Los Angeles Trustes for B. Becker, et al.

Valliant, Grace C.

Verdugo Savings & Loan Association

Warner Brothers Pictures, Inc.

Warner Ranch Company, Inc.

Walleck, Henry L., as Executor of the Estate of A. Givan

Western Mortgage Company

Wheeland, H. W.

Wilcox, Ray C.

Wise, Constance Julia

Wise, Robert Taylor

Young, Donald M.

Young, Marcia S.

ATTACHMENT "C" LIST OF DEFAULTED PARTIES

Aetna Life Insurance Company

American Savings & Loan Association

Babikian, Helen

Bank of America, N.T. & S.A., Trustee

Bannan, B. A.

Bannan, Clotilde R.

Berkemeyer, Henry W.

Berkemeyer, Hildur M.

Bell, William M.

Bell, Sallie C.

Borgia, Andrea, Estate of

Borgia, Frances

Brown, Stella M.

Burns, George A.

Burns, Louise J.

California Bank, Trustee re Hollywood State Bank

California Bank, Trustee

Citizens National Bank & Savings Bank of Los Angeles, Trust for W. Stavert

Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles, Mort. I. 164

Citizons National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles Trustee

Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles, Co-Trustee for Estate of A. V. Handorf

Clauson, Emma S.

Company (Doe Corporation 1)

Cowlin, Josephine McC.

Cowlin, Donald G.

Cowlin, Dorothy N.

Corporation of America, Trustee for Bank of America, I. 54

Desco Corp.

Diller, Michael

Erratchuo, Richard

Glendale Towel and Linen Supply Company

Guyer, Irene W.

Herrmann, Emily Louise by Louis T. Herrmann, Successor In Interest

Hicks, Forrest W., Executor of Estate of (California Bank)

Hidden Hills Corporation

Holmgrin, Neva Bartlett

Hope, Lester Townes

Hope, Dolores Defina

Huston Homes (Doe Corporation B)

Johnson, William Arthur, Sr. (Doe 11)

Johnson, Grace Luvena (Doe 12)

Jessup, Marguerite R., Trustee (for 6)

Jessup, Marguerite Rice

Jessup, Roger

La Maida, James V. (Doe 10)

La Marde, Tony (La Maida)

Lancaster, Paul E.

Lancaster, William

Land Title Insurance Company, as Trustee

Land Title Insurance Company

Los Angeles Pet Cometary

Metropolitan Savings & Loan Association of Los Angeles

Monteria Lake Association

Mosher, Eloise V.

Moshor, W. B.

Murray, Marie

Pacific Lighting and Gas Supply Co.

Plemmons, Florence S.

Plemmons, John R.

Polar Water Company

Pryor, Charles

Rauch, Phil

Roger Jessup Farms

Rushworth, Helen

Rushworth, Lester

Schwaiger, Cecil A.

Schwaiger, Lester R.

Sealand Investment Corporation, Trustee for Metropolitan Savings & Loan Association

Sealand Investment Corporation

Smith, Florence S. (Plenmons)

Southern Service Company, Ltd.

Stavert, Walter W.

Sun Valley National Bank of Los Angeles

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee T. I. Deed of Trust, I. 31, 32

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for Intervalley Savings & Loan Association I, 2509

Title Insurance & Trust Co., Trustee for Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Title Insurance and Trust Co.

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee A.

Titlu Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for Sun Valley National Bank of Los Angeles Title Insurance and Trust Co., Truston for J. McC. Cowlin

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for P. E. Lancaster

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee T. I., Deed of Trust I. 829

Title Insurance and Trust Co., Trustee for C. R. Bannan, et al.

Wheeland, Henry R.

Wheeland, Elizabeth A.

Woodward, E. C., Co-Trustee of the Estate of A. V. Handorf

Wright, Alice M.

Wright, J. Marion

Wright, Irene Evelyn

Wright, Ralph Carver

ATTACHMENT "D"

DISCLAIMING PARTIES

Andrew Jergens Company, The

Boyar, Mark

Chace, William M. (dba V.P.L.C.)

DeMille, Cecil B., Estate of

Drewry Photocolor Corp.

Hayes, Hay B. (Hal)

Houston Color Film Laboratories, Inc.

Krown, Samuel P.

La Canada Irrigation District

Lakeside Golf Club (of Hollywood)

Lakewood Water & Power Company

Mack, Lucille

Mollin Investment Co.

Mulholland, P. & R., Trustees for R. Wood

Mulholland, Rose

Mulholland, Perry

Mulholland, Thomas

Mureau, Charles

Nathan, Julia N., Trustee

Oakmont Country Club

Platt, George E. Company

Richfield Oil Corporation

Riverwood Ranch Mutual Water Company

Smith, Benjamin B.

Southern California Edison Company

Spinks Realty Company

Sportsman's Lodge Banquet Corporation

Stetson, G. Henry

Technicolor Corporation

Valley Lawn Memorial Park

ATTACHMENT "E"

LIST OF PRIOR STIPULATED JUDGMENTS

PARTY	DATE JUDGMENT FILED
Akmadzich, Mary L.	July 24, 1959
Akmadzich, Peter J.	July 24, 1959
California Materials Company	July 24, 1959
Carnation Company	Nov. 20, 1958
Consolidated Rock Products Co.	July 24, 1959
Hidden Hills Mutual Water Company	March 11, 1965
Knickerbocker Plastic Company, Inc.	Feb. 15, 1960
Livingston Rock & Gravel Co., Inc.	July 24, 1959
Pacific Fruit Express Company	March 11, 1965
Pendleton, Evelyn M., dba Deep Rock Artesian Water Company	Nov. 1, 1965
Sears, Roebuck and Company	June 9, 1958
Southern Pacific Company	March 11, 1965
Sparkletts Drinking Water Corporation	Nov. 1, 1965
Valley Park Corporation	July 24, 1959
Walt Disney Productions	May 15, 1961
White, Constance Ray	Feb. 15, 1960
White, Leo L.	Feb. 15, 1960

ATTACHMENT "F"

STIPULATED

NON-CONSUMPTIVE OR MINIMAL-CONSUMPTIVE USE

PRACTICES

Non-Consumptive Uses

Disney -- extracted ground water is used for air conditioning cooling water in a closed system, which discharges to the channel of the Los Angeles River and is subsequently spread and recharges San Fernando Basin, without measurable diminution or loss.

Sears, Lockheed and Carnation -- extracted ground water, or a portion thereof, is used for air conditioning cooling in a closed system, which discharges to San Fernando Basin through an injection well.

Toluca Lake -- that portion of extracted ground water which is not consumptively used, by evaporation or otherwise, is circulated and passed through the lake to the channel of the Los Angeles River immediately upstream from Los Angeles' spreading grounds, where such water is percolated into the ground water of the Basin without measurable diminution or loss.

Sportsman's Lodge -- that portion of extracted ground water which is not consumptively used, by evaporation or otherwise, is circulated and passed through fish ponds and returned to channels tributary to Los Angeles River upstream from Los Angeles' spreading grounds, where such water is percolated into the ground water of the Basin without measurable loss.

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-- extracted ground water is used in rock, sand and gravel, and ready-mix concrete operations with net consumptive use of 10%, with the remaining 90% returning to the ground water. Each party purchases surface water from Los Angeles in amounts at least equivalent to such consumptive losses.

