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VIA DOCKET AND
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Honorable Jack Komar
Santa Clara Superior Court
Department 17
191 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Re: *Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases*
J.C.C.P. No. 4408

Dear Judge Komar:

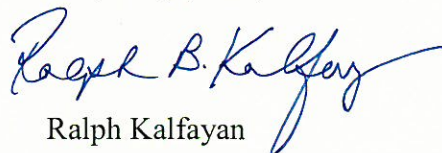
As discussed at the last Case Management Conference, all counsel were invited to attend an informal discovery conference and meet and confer which occurred on Tuesday, January 27, 2009. That conference was well attended and substantial progress was made toward achieving common ground.

Core to the issues discussed, were efforts to address pretrial discovery, and headway was made on those issues. Specifically, there is another in-person meet and confer scheduled for March 13, 2009. In the interim, all counsel will be working towards resolving various discovery issues.

I have been asked to advise the Court of this progress, and to also request that the Court vacate the presently scheduled Discovery Conference set for February 4, 2009. It would be beneficial to reschedule that Discovery Conference for a date to be determined by the Court at the end of March or first week of April. It is our hope that prior to that new date that the issues will have been resolved at the in-person meet and confer scheduled for March 13, 2009.

In closing, we wish to thank the Court for its assistance to date, and in anticipation of granting the request herein, we commit to advise the Court of the outcome of our meeting on March 13, 2009. We will likewise advise the Court if sufficient success has been achieved in that meet and confer meeting on March 13, 2009, so as to avoid the necessity for the continued court supervised discovery conference.

Very truly yours,


Ralph Kalfayan

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