

Exhibit B

1 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

2 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

3 DEPARTMENT NO. 56

HON. JACK KOMAR, JUDGE

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5 COORDINATION PROCEEDING
SPECIAL TITLE (RULE 1550(B))

6 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES

7 INCLUDED ACTIONS:

8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT
9 NO. 40 V. DIAMOND FARMING CO., ET AL,
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT,
10 CASE NO. BC325 201

11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT
12 NO. 40 V. DIAMOND FARMING CO., ET AL,
KERN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, CASE NO.
S-1550-CV-254-348

13 WM. BOLTHOUSE FARMS, INC. V. CITY OF
14 LANCASTER
DIAMOND FARMING CO. V. CITY OF LANCASTER
15 DIAMOND FARMING CO. V. PALMDALE WATER DIST
RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT,
16 CONSOLIDATED ACTION, CASE NOS. RIC 353
840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668
17 AND RELATED CROSS-ACTIONS

} JUDICIAL
COUNCIL
COORDINATION

} PROCEEDING
NO. 4408

} CASE NO.
1-05-C-049053

18 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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2 CASE NAME: ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES
3 LOS ANGELES, CA TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014
4 DEPARTMENT 56 HON. JACK KOMAR, JUDGE
5 REPORTER: JEANETTE COYLE, CSR NO. 12665
6 TIME: MORNING SESSION
7 APPEARANCES: (AS HERETOFORE NOTED.)
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9 (THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HELD IN OPEN COURT.)
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11 THE COURT: GOOD MORNING. IN THE ANTELOPE
12 MATTER, WE HAVE SEVERAL THINGS ON CALENDAR FOR THIS
13 MORNING. I GUESS THE FIRST THING WE OUGHT TO TAKE UP IS
14 THE WILLIS MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE REPRESENTED BY THE
15 PLAINTIFF FOR THE CLASS.

16 MR. KALFAYAN: GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR. RALPH
17 KALFAYAN ON BEHALF OF THE WILLIS CLASS.

18 THE COURT: GOOD MORNING. THERE HAS BEEN A
19 PARTIAL OPPOSITION. HAS THAT PROBLEM BEEN CURED?

20 MR. KALFAYAN: NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE, YOUR HONOR.
21 NO, IT HAS NOT. IN OUR REPLY WE ADDRESSED THE ISSUES
22 THAT WERE RAISED IN THE OPPOSITION, PRIMARILY THAT THE
23 ARCHDIOCESE ITSELF NEVER APPEARED IN THE CASE. THEY MAY
24 HAVE BEEN NAMED, BUT I DON'T THINK THEY WERE ACTUALLY
25 SERVED. SO THEIR PARTICIPATION WAS -- THERE WAS ZERO
26 PARTICIPATION.

27 THE COURT: ACTUALLY, THEY DID APPEAR ON BEHALF
28 OF A PARCEL OF LAND. THEY MISNAMED THEMSELVES AS THE

1 MR. KALFAYAN: I AGREE WITH YOU, YOUR HONOR.

2 THE COURT: AND I THINK THE RECORD NEEDS TO BE
3 REAL CLEAR AS TO WHAT WE ARE DOING AND WHO IS DOING
4 WHAT.

5 MR. KALFAYAN: HENCE, YOUR HONOR, MY INTENT TO
6 BRING IN TWO CLASS REPS. BECAUSE MS. WILLIS DID SELL
7 HER PROPERTY. AND I AM CONCERNED THAT THE PUBLIC WATER
8 SUPPLIERS AND ASSUMED LAND OWNERS ARE GOING TO BE
9 PRESENTING YOU WITH A PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT THAT
10 I WILL BE FORCED TO APPEAR AND OBJECT TO. SO THE
11 IMPORTANCE OF HAVING AN INDIVIDUAL AND AN INSTITUTION AS
12 CLASS REPRESENTATIVE IS CRITICAL.

13 THE COURT: I UNDERSTAND. THIS IS A JUDGMENT IN
14 EQUITY THAT WILL BE AROUND FOR A LONG TIME. OKAY. I
15 WILL.

16 MR. KALFAYAN: I WILL FILE ANOTHER BRIEF IN THIS
17 MATTER AND FILE.

18 THE COURT: YOU CAN DETERMINE THE DATE BY FILING
19 IT. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO KNOW WHEN TO PICK A DATE WHEN
20 WE WILL DO SOMETHING ELSE HERE. AS A MATTER OF FACT,
21 YOU MIGHT CONSIDER THE 22ND OF DECEMBER, BECAUSE I KNOW
22 THERE IS A SUMMARY JUDGMENT THAT WILL BE HEARD IN
23 SAN JOSE AT NINE O'CLOCK THAT DAY.

24 MR. KALFAYAN: YOUR HONOR, JUST TO BE CLEAR THEN,
25 MR. ESTRADA IS A CLASS REPRESENTATIVE?

26 THE COURT: I GRANTED HIS REQUEST. THERE WAS NO
27 OBJECTION TO HIS APPLICATION.

28 MR. KALFAYAN: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

1 GOING TO BE ORDERED TO DO ANYTHING. BUT I SUSPECT THAT
2 THE WATER MASTER IS GOING TO ASK THE COURT WHEN SOMEBODY
3 WANTS TO PUMP THAT THEY MAKE AN APPLICATION AND THAT
4 THEY INDICATE WHAT THEIR PURPOSE IS AND HOW MUCH THEY
5 INTEND TO PUMP AND THAT THEY DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO WATER
6 OTHERWISE SO THEY WISH TO PUMP ON THEIR OWN LAND. THAT
7 WILL RAISE AN ISSUE THAT THE COURT IN EQUITY IS GOING TO
8 HAVE TO DEAL WITH.

9 MR. KALFAYAN: RIGHT.

10 THE COURT: WHICH MEANS THAT SUCH A PARTY,
11 WHETHER IT'S A MEMBER OF THE WILLIS CLASS TODAY OR NOT,
12 IS GOING TO HAVE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE APPLICATION
13 PROCESS.

14 NOW, YOU KNOW, THERE IS AN OVERLYING AND
15 PERHAPS OVER ARCHING ISSUE WITH REGARD TO THE NEW
16 LEGISLATION THAT HAS JUST BEEN SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR
17 THAT SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDES THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
18 ADJUDICATION AREA FROM THE IMPACT OF THAT LITIGATION.
19 AND I THINK THAT THE COURT IS GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE
20 PROVISIONS FOR PROCESSING PEOPLE SUCH AS YOUR CLIENTS
21 WHO DON'T PUMP WHO MAY WISH TO PUMP AT SOME TIME IN THE
22 FUTURE.

23 AND THE WHOLE OBJECTIVE HERE, THIS IS TO
24 ONE, PRESERVE THE VALLEY, NUMBER TWO, TO KEEP ALL OF THE
25 PARTIES WHO WERE INVOLVED IN THE LITIGATION INVOLVED IN
26 THE LITIGATION INCLUDING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE
27 THEY ARE AN IMPORTANT PARTY AND TO ENSURE THAT WE DO
28 SOMETHING TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY