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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA**

**ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER
CASES**

Judicial Council Coordination
Proceeding No. 4408

**RESPONSE TO RICHARD WOOD'S
"SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF RE:
MOTION TO STAY"**

Date: August 17, 2009
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 17C

(Hon. Jack Komar)

RESPONSE TO RICHARD WOOD'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF

RE: MOTION TO STAY


In an attempt to place issues before the Court which are irrelevant to any pending motion, Richard Wood filed a so-called "Supplemental Brief Re: Motion to Stay" on August 7, 2009, stating that the City of Palmdale has objected to the participation of the Small Pumper Class in the principals-only settlement discussions. To clarify, the City of Palmdale has never objected to the participation of the Small Pumper Class, or any class representative, in the principals-only settlement discussions. The City of Palmdale, by and through its attorneys of record at Richards, Watson & Gershon, did, however, object to the attempt by Class Counsel to negotiate directly with City of Palmdale representatives without the presence of their counsel.

It should be noted that the City of Palmdale has neither opposed nor supported the pending Motion to Stay, and it does not intend to change this position in the face of Mr. Wood's brief.

Dated: August 7, 2009

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Maurine Lopes, declare:

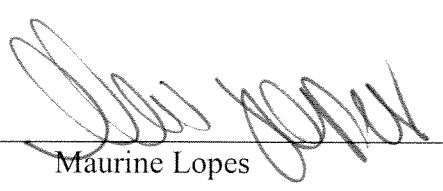
I am a resident of the State of California and over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action; my business address is Richards, Watson & Gershon, 355 South Grand Avenue, 40th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90071. On August 7, 2009, I served the within documents:

RESPONSE TO RICHARD WOOD'S "SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF RE: MOTION TO STAY"

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

Executed on August 7, 2009.


Maurine Lopes