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12	DISTRICT,	[Assigned for All Purposes to the
13	Plaintiff,	Honorable STANFORD E. REICHERT]
14	V.	NOTICE OF EX PARTE MOTION AND EX PARTE MOTION TO REQUEST A 180-DAY
15	CITY OF CHINO, et al.,  Defendant.	EXTENSION OF TIME RE FILING OF RECHARGE MASTER PLAN STATUS
16	Detendant.	REPORT; PROPOSED ORDER
17		Hearing Date: December 16, 2011 Hearing Time: 10:30 am
18		Dept: C-1
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20	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on	December 16, 2011 at 10:30 am in Department C-1
21		Superior Court, the Chino Basin Watermaster will
22		to file its report on implementation of the Recharge
23		per 8, 2010 Order. This request will be based upon
24	this Motion as well as any argument presente	•
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### **MOTION REQUESTING 180-DAY EXTENSION**

The purpose of this motion is to request a 180-day extension of the December 17, 2011 deadline to provide a report to the Court regarding progress of implementation of the Recharge Master Plan.

### I. Background of the December 17, 2011 Deadline

In its December 21, 2007 Order approving the Peace II Measures, the Court required Watermaster to complete a number of conditions subsequent. The last of these, condition subsequent number eight, required Watermaster to update its Recharge Master Plan ("RMP"). In broad terms, the purpose of the RMP is to articulate the manner in which Watermaster will fulfill its responsibilities under the Judgment to ensure that groundwater production from the Chino Basin in excess of the Safe Yield is replenished. In order to do this, the RMP must make projections concerning anticipated pumping from the Basin, the availability of imported water supplies, and the facilities necessary to make use of those imported supplies. In addition, In addition, Watermaster's discretion with regard to the manner in which recharge activities are conducted is constrained by commitments made in the Peace I and Peace II Agreements, and implementation of the RMP recommendations must satisfy these commitments.

On June 30, 2010, Watermaster submitted the updated Recharge Master Plan in compliance with condition subsequent number eight. However, due to legislation enacted subsequent to the Court's December 2007 Order, at the time of filing the updated RMP, the parties had not yet completed their 2010 Urban Water Management Plans ("UWMP") which were to provide important information about the projected pumping by members of the Appropriative Pool. Because this information was not yet available in June 2010, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency ("IEUA") was not in a position to approve the updated RMP as required by the Peace II Agreement.

Therefore, in its October 8, 2010 Order approving the updated RMP, the Court made the following orders:

(3) Watermaster is hereby ordered to convene the committee described in item 3 of

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section 7.1 of the updated RMP to develop the monitoring, reporting, and accounting practices that will be required to estimate local project stormwater recharge and new yield.

- (4) Watermaster is hereby ordered to conduct further analyses as described in section 7.2 of the updated RMP of the Phase I through III projects to refine the projects, to develop a financing plan, and to develop an implementation plan.
- (5) By December 17, 2011, six months following completion of the parties UWMPs, Watermaster will report to the Court on any changes to the 2010 RMP necessitated by information received through the UWMPs. In this report Watermaster will also report on progress made under items (3) and (4) above, and will report on the status of IEUA's approval of the RMP.

(October 8, 2010 Order, 4:9-18.)

### II. Conditions Requiring a 180-Day Extension of the December 17, 2011 Deadline

A. Personnel Changes at Watermaster

At the beginning of 2011, Watermaster's longtime Chief Executive Officer left
Watermaster. Watermaster immediately began a search process and in April of 2011 hired a new
CEO. Throughout the Spring and Summer of 2011, the new CEO became familiar with
Watermaster and the parties, but progress on the items required by the Court's October 2010
Order was delayed. In October of 2011 the CEO convened the committee described in the Court's
Order, and this committee held its first meeting on October 22, 2011. However, on November 8,
2011, the Watermaster Board placed the CEO on administrative leave. One reason for the
requested extension is therefore to allow time for the hiring of a new CEO in order to allow
progress on the required tasks to recommence.

B. Policies Regarding Pre-emptive Replenishment

As described above, the parties have initiated a stakeholder process to better identify goals, objectives and strategies associated with the RMP. A key issue to be addressed is the scope of Watermaster's authority to obtain water for replenishment in advance of a over-pumping. While the 1978 Judgment describes replenishment as occurring after over production has SB 600065 v1:008350.0001

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occurred, the RMP recommends that Watermaster seek-out imported water whenever it is available, even if this availability occurs prior to the over pumping that such water would replenish. One such opportunity arose this year when the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California made available a large amount of surplus water. This opportunity necessitated policy discussions regarding the concept of pre-emptive replenishment, and such discussions have now become an integral part of the planning under the RMP. While these discussions are ongoing, in 2011 Watermaster was able to pre-emptively recharge over 30,000 acre-feet of wet water into the Basin. A second reason for the requested extension is therefore to allow the parties time to develop policies regarding pre-emptive replenishment to be a part of the report to the Court.

#### C. UWMPs: Regional vs. Localized Impacts

In its report to the Court, Watermaster will present updated projections of replenishment needs based on pumping plans by the parties contained in their most recent UWMPs. However, as the analysis of these pumping plans has progressed, it has become clear that there is a distinction between regional (eg., basin-wide) needs vs. localized needs. Thus, while the recharge capacity for the Basin as a whole may currently be adequate, this does not mean that there are not local issues of concern that still need resolution. One of these local concerns was introduced to the Court at the October 28, 2011 hearing regarding drawdown issues within Management Zone 3 and particularly within the Jurupa Community Services District ("JCSD") area. In the absence of expeditious resolution of its issues concerning the achievement of the balance of recharge and discharge as required by the Peace Agreement, JCSD is concerned that it will lose the ability to provide water to its customers. A third reason for the requested extension is thus to allow Watermaster time to address these different issues as a part of the process of preparing its report to the Court. To be clear, this request for an extension should not be interpreted to suggest that localized recharge issues will not be addressed for another 180 days. To the contrary, Watermaster and the parties should begin to address these issues immediately.

#### III. 180-Day Extension Request

Based on all of the foregoing reasons, Watermaster respectfully requests a 180-Day

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### SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

# CHINO BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, Plaintiff, v. CITY OF CHINO, et al., Defendant.

### Case No. RCV 51010

[Assigned for All Purposes to the Honorable STANFORD E. REICHERT]

[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING EX PARTE MOTION TO REQUEST A 180-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME RE FILING OF RECHARGE MASTER PLAN STATUS REPORT

Hearing Date:

December 16, 2011

Hearing Time:

10:30 am

Dept:

C-1

Chino Basin Watermaster's Ex Parte Motion requesting a 180-day extension of time on the deadline to file its report on implementation of the Recharge Master Plan, as required by the Court's October 8, 2010 Order, came on for hearing on December 16, 2011 at 10:30 am in Department C-1 of the above-entitled court. Michael T. Fife appeared on behalf of Chino Basin Watermaster.

Having considered the Ex Parte Motion and finding GOOD CAUSE, Chino Basin SB 600065 v1:008350.0001

[PROPOSED] ORDER

### BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK, LLP 21 East Carillo Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101-2706

Watermaster's Ex Parte Motion to Request a 180-Day Extension of Time Re Filing of Recharge Master Plan Status Report is GRANTED and IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows: The original December 17, 2011 deadline for Chino Basin Watermaster to file its report on implementation of the Recharge Master Plan, as required by the Court's October 8, 2010 Order, shall be extended 180 days from that date. Chino Basin Watermaster shall file its report on implementation of the Recharge Master Plan no later than June 14, 2012. \_\_\_\_\_, 2011 Dated: Judge of the Superior Court SB 600065 v1:008350.0001 [PROPOSED] ORDER

### **CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**

### Case No. RCV 51010 Chino Basin Municipal Water District v. The City of Chino

### **PROOF OF SERVICE**

### I declare that:

I am employed in the County of San Bernardino, California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action. My business address is Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, California 91730; telephone (909) 484-3888.

On December 13, I served the following:

1.	NOTICE OF EX PARTE MOTION AND EX PARTE MOTION TO REQUEST A 180-DAY
	EXTENSION OF TIME RE FILING OF RECHARGE MASTER PLAN STATUS REPORT;
	PROPOSED ORDER

/_x_/	BY MAIL: in said cause, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed with postage thereon fully prepaid, for delivery by United States Postal Service mail at Rancho Cucamonga, California, addresses as follows:  See attached service list: Mailing List 1
//	BY PERSONAL SERVICE: I caused such envelope to be delivered by hand to the addressee.
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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 December 13, in Rancho Cucamonga, California.

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