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10 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, SAN BERNARDINO JUSTICE CENTER

11 CHINO BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER
12 DISTRICT,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 CITY OF CHINO, et al.,

16 Defendant.

Case No. RCVRS 51010

**FONTANA WATER COMPANY'S
JOINDER TO WATERMASTER'S
SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN RESPONSE
TO THE COURT'S ORDER REQUIRING
FURTHER BRIEFING**

Hearing:

Date: August 14, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Dept.: R-17

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19 Fontana Water Company ("FWC") joins Watermaster's Supplemental Brief in Response to
20 the Court's Order Requesting Further Briefing.

21 At the June 12, 2026 hearing on Watermaster's Motion for Court Approval of Corrected
22 and Amended Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 Assessment Packages, the Court entered its
23 tentative order requesting that the parties submit supplemental briefing.

24 FWC joins in the arguments raised in Watermaster's Supplemental Brief and the evidence
25 filed in support thereof, including the Declaration of Cris Fealy in Support of Watermaster's
26 Supplemental Brief. Mr. Fealy is an employee of FWC, and his declaration explains in detail the
27 nature of FWC's operations, FWC's water supply portfolio, including its rights to groundwater in
28 the Chino Basin, and FWC's participation in the Dry Year Yield program. These facts support the


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argument that Watermaster correctly categorized the water withdrawn by FWC pursuant to the 2019 Letter Agreement as stored imported or supplemental water rather than an extraction of native groundwater.

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