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Jason King, P.E. State Engineer Division of Water Resources 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 2002 Carson City, NV 89701

Dear Mr. King,

As Executive Vice President of KB Home Nevada, I appreciate this opportunity to voice my support of the Southern Nevada Water Authority's applications for unused groundwater in Spring, Cave, Dry Lake and Delamar Valleys.

As one of the largest homebuilders in the state, KB Homes is an active member of Nevada's business community. We pride ourselves on contributing to the quality of life in Southern Nevada by providing homes to Nevada families. However, our quality of life could suffer quite dramatically if we don't have water supply options available to the community, particularly during periods of shortage.

Our Company has been a pioneer in water conservation in Nevada. We have initiated landscape changes that save huge quantities of water. Everyone of our homes complies with EPA Water Sense standards—for which we have been recognized by government agencies.

Currently, southern Nevada depends on the Colorado River for almost all of its drinking-water needs. As drought conditions continue to impact Colorado River snow pack and water flows, it is imperative that local water managers diversify the community's water resource options. Having a diverse selection of available water supplies will provide greater protection from future drought, and unknown implications from expected climate variation. The project will allow current and future resources to be more responsibly managed.

The prospect of securing a reliable water supply for an area in need, from an area where water is available should not be seen as controversial, it is simply a matter of an unused resource being put to beneficial use. For that reason, I fully support the Southern Nevada Water Authority's applications for the unused groundwater. Nevada's future depends on it.

Sincerely,

Rob McGibney

**Executive Vice President** 

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