## IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS 53987 )
THROUGH 53992, INCLUSIVE, AND 54003 )
THROUGH 54021, INCLUSIVE, FILED TO )
APPROPRIATE THE UNDERGROUND )
WATERS OF SPRING VALLEY, CAVE )
VALLEY, DRY LAKE VALLEY, AND )
DELAMAR VALLEY, (HYDROGRAPHIC )
BASINS 184, 180, 181 AND 182), LINCOLN )
COUNTY AND WHITE PINE COUNTY, )
NEVADA.

ORDER ON
MOTION FOR LATE FILING FILED
BY MILLARD AND JUAB
COUNTIES

January 19, 2018, was the due date set by the State Engineer for the parties to file their closing arguments and proposed rulings in the Office of the State Engineer. Millard County and Juab County, Utah (Utah Counties) failed to have their documents filed on time. On January 23, 2018, the Utah Counties filed a Motion to Allow One-Business Day Late Filing Due to Extraordinary and Unforeseen Circumstances Encountered with Over Night Courier of Hard Copies of Millard and Juab Counties' Proposed Ruling and Closing Argument on Spring Valley Remand Hearing. The Counties argued that unanticipated weather problems in January rises to the level of being an extraordinary and unforeseen difficulty in the delivery and timely filing of their documents.

While no objection to the late filing was received from any of the parties to the hearing, the State Engineer does not agree that winter weather in January resulting in flight delays rises to the level of "extraordinary and unforeseen circumstances." There have been thousands and thousands of airline flights canceled over the last few months and one would anticipate that such could happen when one waits until the last minute to get a filing to Federal Express. However, based on the lack of objection by any of the other parties to the remand hearing, the State Engineer will accept the documents for filing.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Joseph Taylor, Hearing Officer

Deputy Administrator

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of

February, 2018.

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