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September 28, 2017

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

Dear Mr. King,

In less than 100 years, Las Vegas has been transformed from a desert railroad outpost into the gambling and entertainment capital of the world. The Laborers' International Union, Local 872 is an alliance of construction workers and service employees who represent the hard-working men and women who have shaped Southern Nevada into the world-class destination it is today – an unparalleled place to live, work and visit.

The Laborer's Union recognizes, however, that without a stable water supply, Southern Nevada's future is at stake. Nearly all of Southern Nevada's water comes from the Colorado River, which is of particular concern due to ongoing drought in the basin. The diminished water level of Lake Mead, Southern Nevada's principal reservoir, should serve as a stern warning of the critical nature of Southern Nevada's water reserves and the need for supplementation.

For this reason, we would like to state our support for the SNWA's monitoring, management and mitigation (3M) plans for responsible groundwater development through adaptive management, which will reduce uncertainty, increase responsiveness to changing conditions and enhance management and mitigation efficacy for unused groundwater in Spring, Cave, Dry Lake and Delamar Valleys.

As the Business Manager-Secretary Treasurer of Laborers' International Union, Local 872, I wish to express our organization's support of the SNWA's groundwater applications and request a favorable ruling in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas White

Business Manager-Secretary Treasurer

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