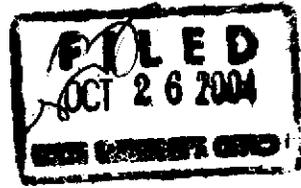


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 71225  
FILED BY Vidler Water Co.  
ON 8/16, 04, TO APPROPRIATE THE  
WATERS OF Basin 163

PROTEST



Comes now Carol M. Stodghill  
Printed or typed name of protestant  
whose post office address is HCR 31 Box 828 SANDY VALLEY NV 89019  
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code  
whose occupation is SELF EMPLOYED and protests the granting  
of Application Number 71225 filed on 8/16/04  
by Vidler Water Co. to appropriate the  
waters of SANDY-MESQUITE BASIN 163 situated in Clark  
Underground or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

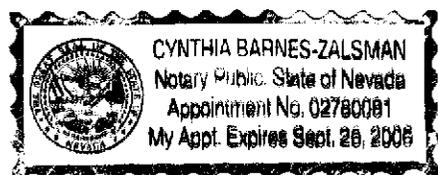
The State Engineer determined in Ruling 5132 that there are no more water rights available in this basin. In that ruling, the State Engineer created over 700 afa of paper water to accommodate Vidler's inter-basin transfer request and to have sufficient water rights to protect the basin's future water needs. We feel there is not enough water to satisfy Vidler's request.

THEREFORE the protestant requests that the application be Denied  
(Denied, issued subject to prior rights, etc., as the case may be)

and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed Carol M. Stodghill  
Agent or protestant  
HCR 31 Box 828  
Printed or typed name, if agent  
Address CAROL M. STODGHILL  
SANDY VALLEY NV. 89019  
Succo No. or P.O. Box No. City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of September, 2004  
Cynthia Barnes Zalsman  
Notary Public



State of Nevada  
County of Clark

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