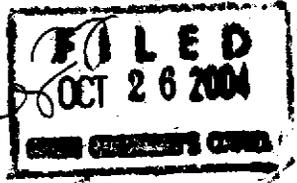


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA



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

PROTEST

Comes now FRANCIS R. TAYLOR
whose post office address is HC 31 Box 250 Sandy Valley 89019
whose occupation is Retired, and protests the granting
of Application Number 71225, filed on August 16, 2004
by Vidler Water Co. to appropriate the
waters of Basin 163 situated in Clark

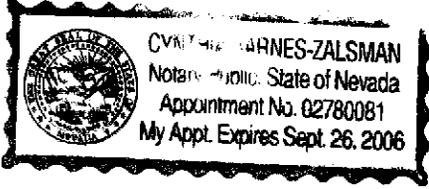
County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

This application seeks to privatize the public waters of Basin 163 (Sandy-Mesquite Valley Basin). We strongly object to the privatization of our water supply, and feel that this may jeopardize senior water rights in the basin. This application is not in the public good.

THEREFORE the protestant requests that the application be Denied
and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed Francis R. Taylor
Address HC 31 Box 250 Sandy
Sandy Valley, NV 89019

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of September 2004
Cynthia Louise Zimm



State of Nevada
County of Clark

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