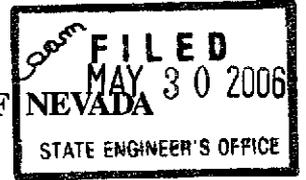


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA



IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 73669, FILED BY Nevada Power Co. & Sierra Pacific PROTEST ON December 30, 2005, TO APPROPRIATE THE WATERS OF the State of Nevada

Comes now McGill-Ruth Consolidated Sewer & Water General Improvement District

whose post office address is P.O. Box 1376 McGill, NV, 89318

whose occupation is General Improvement District, and protests the granting

of Application Number 73669, filed on December 30, 2005,

by Nevada Power Co. & Sierra Pacific Power Co. to appropriate the

waters of Underground source situated in Section 6, T21N, R64E

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

The proposed source of supply may exceed the safe yield of the ground-water basin, may jeopardize existing rights, and may prove detrimental to the public interest.

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.

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Signed [Signature] Agent of protestant

Dean Day Printed or typed name, if agent

Address P.O. Box 151178 Street No. or P.O. Box No.

Ely, NV, 89315 City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of May, 2006

[Signature] Notary Public



State of Nevada

County of White Pine

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