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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 78315

FILED BY Baker Ranches Inc.

ON April 17, 20 09, TO APPROPRIATE THE

WATERS OF Unnamed Spring 2 in Snake Valley (Basin No. 195)

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PROTEST

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Comes now the Southern Nevada Water Authority
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 1001 S. Valley View Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89153
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is wholesale water purveyor and protests the granting

of Application Number 78315, filed on April 17, 20 09

by Baker Ranches Inc. to appropriate the

waters of Unnamed Spring 2 in Snake Valley (Basin No. 195) situated in White Pine
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:

Please see attached Exhibit A

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 [signature]
Agent or protestant

Patrick J. Kelly, Esq. (Agent); Taggart & Taggart, Ltd
Printed or typed name, if agent

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Carson City, NV 89703
City, State and ZIP Code

775-882-9900
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of June, 20 09

TAMARA C. MAHE
Notary Public - State of Nevada
Appointment Recorded in Washoe County
No: 03-83917-2 - Expires September 10, 2011

[signature]
Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Washoe

+ $25 FILING FEE MUST ACCOMPANY PROTEST. PROTEST MUST BE FILED IN DUPLICATE.

ALL COPIES MUST CONTAIN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.

Exhibit A

Southern Nevada Water Authority's Protest to Application No. 78315

This water right application should be denied based on the following grounds:

1. The applicant has not demonstrated that the rate of flow for this un-named spring is sufficient to support the use under this application.
2. The applicant should demonstrate that it owns or controls enough livestock to put all of the stockwater applied for to beneficial use. Given the allocation of 0.00003125 cfs per head of cattle, 756 cattle can use a total of 0.023625 cfs. If granted, the permit terms for the stockwater applications should have a total combined duty limit and a seasonal use limit based on the applicant's grazing permit.