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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79267-
FILED BY SNWA
ON January 28, 20 10, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Snake Valley - underground

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Comes now Nomi Martin-Sheppard
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 150 Home Farm Road, Baker, NV 89311
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is Stay at Home Mother and protests the granting

of Application Number 79267-, filed on January 28, 20 10

by SNWA to appropriate the

waters of Snake Valley underground situated in ~~Snake Valley~~ 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:

Las Vegas needs to demonstrate far greater water conservation methods! By denying them water rights it will force them to develop innovative water conservation methods that not only benefit the citizens of Las Vegas, but will benefit citizens of this nation and this world! Innovative water conservation methods are greatly needed across the globe as drought conditions and water shortages continue. Moreover, Las Vegas' growth projections need to be readjusted with the current economic recession. Are the assumptions they've made about future water usage correct if their population is actually declining or not growing??? Please see attached.

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 Nomi Martin-Sheppard
Agent or protestant

Nomi Martin-Sheppard
Printed or typed name, if agent

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of April, 20 10

ANITA H. HANSEN
Notary Public - State of Utah
Commission No. 575611
My Commission Expires on October 31, 2012
[illegible] Garrison, Utah 84725

Anita H. Hansen
Notary Public

State of Utah
County of Millard

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ATTACHMENT TO PROTEST OF NOMI MARTIN SHEPARD AGAINST APPLICATION NO. 79267- [illegible], FILED 1/28/2010, BY THE SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

This attachment lists and briefly describes the reasons and grounds for this protest of NOMI MARTIN SHEPARD ("Protestant") against Application Number 79267-[illegible]. The Southern Nevada Water Authority ("SNWA" or "Applicant") has filed this Application to appropriate groundwater from SNAKE VALLEY as part of its massive proposed network of wells and pipelines stretching across eastern Nevada from Clark County through Lincoln County and into White Pine County (the "Pipeline Project").

☑ 1. There is insufficient water available in the proposed source of supply.

☑ 2. The application and proposed use would conflict with existing water rights and protectable interests in domestic and/or ranch production and/or municipal wells.

☑ 3. The appropriation and export of water proposed in this application would be detrimental to the public interest on environmental grounds and would be environmentally unsound as it relates to the proposed export basin:

- ☑ Harm to wildlife and wildlife habitat:
- ☑ Degradation of air quality:
- ☑ Destruction of recreational and aesthetic values:
- ☑ Degradation of water quality:
- ☑ Degradation of cultural resources:
- ☑ Harm to state parks and state and federal wildlife refuges
- ☑ Harm to the Great Basin National Park including water, air, ecosystem, view shed, resources

☑ 4. The appropriation and export of water proposed in this application would be detrimental to the public interest on economic grounds and would unduly limit future growth and development in the basin from which the export is proposed:

- ☑ Undue limitation of future economic activity and growth in the basin of origin:
- ☑ Undue economic harm will extend to the economies and communities of downgradient hydrologically connected and downwind basins.
- ☑ Loss of public lands grazing and forage

☑ 5. The proposed action is not an appropriate long-term use of Nevada's water:

☑ 6. The Applicant has not justified the need to import water from another basin:

☑ 7. The Applicant has not implemented a sufficient conservation plan.

☑ 8. The Applicant has not demonstrated the good faith intent or financial ability and reasonable expectation to actually construct the work and apply the water to the intended beneficial use with reasonable diligence.

- ☑ Changed circumstances, uncertain intent, doubtful financing:
- ☑ Failure to demonstrate ability to access land containing point of diversion.

☑ 9. Protestant reserves the right to amend this protest to include issues as they develop.

☑ 10. Protestant incorporates other protests to SNWA's applications by reference.

☐ ADDITONAL REASONS AND GROUNDS ON NEXT PAGE ⇨⇨⇨⇨⇨⇨