

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

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MAY 07 2010
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79691
FILED BY Nevada Power Company dba NV Energy
ON March 15, 2010, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Garnet Valley Hydrographic Basin

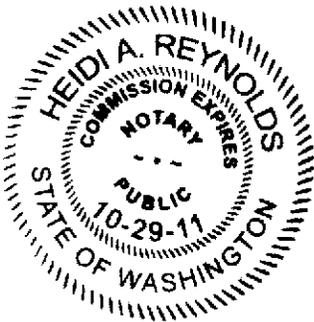


PROTEST

Comes now Moapa Band of Paiute Indians
Printed or typed name of protestant
whose post office address is PO Box 340, Moapa, NV 89025
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code
whose occupation is federally recognized Indian tribe and protests the granting
of Application Number 79691, filed on March 15, 2010
by Nevada Power Company dba NV Energy to appropriate the
waters of underground (Garnet Valley hydrographic basin) 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:
(1) There is no remaining unappropriated water in the proposed source of supply; (2) the proposed withdrawal conflicts with existing rights both within the groundwater basin at issue, and also with groundwater and surface water rights in nearby areas hydrologically connected to the groundwater basin, including groundwater and surface water rights in which protestant has an interest; and (3) the proposed withdrawal threatens to prove detrimental to the public interest, because it is likely to lower water levels in the Muddy Springs area to the detriment of the Moapa dace, an endangered species.

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 Richard M. Berley
Agent or protestant
Richard M. Berley, agent
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of May, 2010
Heidi A. Reynolds
Notary Public
State of Washington
County of King

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