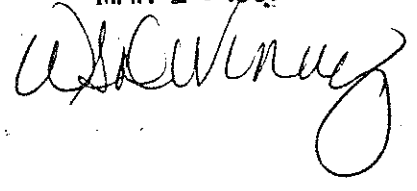


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12 CHINO BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER)	Case No. RCV 51010
DISTRICT,)	
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Plaintiff,)	EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR
)	ORDER DELETING RICHARDS,
14 v.)	WATSON, DREYFUSS & GERSHON
)	FROM SERVICE LIST;
15 CITY OF CHINO, et al.,)	DECLARATION OF MITCHELL E.
)	ABBOTT IN SUPPORT THEREOF
16 Defendants.)	
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19 For more than 19 years, the law firm of Richards, Watson
20 & Gershon (formerly Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss & Gershon) has been
21 incorrectly listed on the master service list in the above-
22 entitled litigation, notwithstanding that its client, United
23 Dairymen's Association, long ago ceased to exist. The law firm
24 has made numerous informal efforts to have its name dropped from
25 the service list, without success.

26 WHEREFORE, Richards, Watson & Gershon, a Professional
27 Corporation, successor in interest to Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss &
28 Gershon, hereby respectfully requests that the court order that

1 the firm's name be deleted from the service list in this case. A
2 proposed form of order is submitted concurrently herewith.

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4 DATED: March 5, 1997

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DECLARATION OF MITCHELL E. ABBOTT

I, Mitchell E. Abbott, hereby declare:

1. I am an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice before all of the courts of the State of California and I am a member of Richards, Watson & Gershon, a Professional Corporation, with offices in Los Angeles, California. I have personal knowledge of the matters and facts set forth herein and, if called as a witness, could and would testify competently thereto.

2. I have been continuously employed by Richards, Watson & Gershon and its predecessor, Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss & Gershon, since August 1975. Between 1975 and 1978 I handled a number of litigation and other matters for a longtime client of the firm, United Dairymen's Association, a dairy cooperative organized under California law with its headquarters in Ontario, California.

3. On or about May 22, 1978, United Dairymen's Association filed a petition under Chapter XI of the Bankruptcy Code in United States District Court for the Central District of California. A true and correct conformed copy of the Notice of Filing of Petition is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference. From and after the date of filing of the bankruptcy petition, my firm had no further responsibility for representing United Dairymen's Association, aside from some minor assistance to the client's bankruptcy counsel. I am informed and believe that United Dairymen's Association was liquidated in or about 1978 and has not done business since that time. I do not know whether the water rights

1 appurtenant to the United Dairymen's Association property were
2 among the assets liquidated.

3 4. Notwithstanding that United Dairymen's Association
4 no longer exists, and that my law firm no longer represents it, my
5 law firm has remained on the master service list in the above-
6 entitled litigation for the past 19 years and has continued to
7 receive substantial and regular amounts of useless paperwork as a
8 result. This flow of paperwork is a nuisance and a burden to my
9 law firm and a totally unnecessary expense for the parties to the
10 litigation. I have personally asked several of the lawyers in the
11 case to drop my firm from the service list, but without success.

12 5. I respectfully request that the court order the
13 removal of my law firm from the master service list, inasmuch as
14 we represent no interested party and otherwise are not involved in
15 this case.

16 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
17 State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

18 Executed on March 5, 1997.

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Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss & Gershon and
Don Rothman and Howard Kollitz of (SPACE BELOW FOR FILING STAMP ONLY)

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re)	Chapter XI Case No.
)	
UNITED DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION,)	NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION;
a California corporation,)	NOTICE OF STAY
)	
Debtor.)	
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TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DEBTOR AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named Debtor has filed an original petition under Chapter XI of the Bankruptcy Act on the 19th day of May, 1978 and that said proceeding is now pending.


YOU AND EACH OF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 11-44(a) the filing of the aforesaid petition operates as a stay of the commencement or continuation of any act, or proceeding against the Debtor, or the enforcement of, or any judgment against United Dairymen's Association; or of any act or the commencement or continuation of any Court proceeding to

. . .

1 enforce any lien against property of United Dairymen's Association.

2 DATED: This 19th day of May, 1978.

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4 SULMEYER, KUPETZ, BAUMANN & ROTHMAN,
5 a professional corporation

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