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8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
9 FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

10 CHINO BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER
11 DISTRICT,

12 Plaintiffs,

13 v.

14 CITY OF CHINO; et al.,

15 Defendants.

) CASE NO.: RCVRS 51010

) Assigned for All Purposes to Honorable
) Gilbert G. Ochoa

) **DECLARATION OF**
) **SHIVAJI DESHMUKH IN SUPPORT**
) **OF INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES**
) **AGENCY'S OPPOSITION TO**
) **MOTION CHALLENGING**
) **WATERMASTER'S BUDGET ACTION**
) **TO FUND UNAUTHORIZED CEQA**
) **REVIEW**

) *(filed concurrently with opposition to*
) *motion challenging watermaster's budget*
) *action to fund unauthorized CEQA review)*

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17 DATE: October 14, 2022
18 TIME: 9: a.m.
19 DEPT: S24

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22 **DECLARATION OF SHIVAJI DESHMUKH**

23 I, SHIVAJI DESHMUKH, hereby declare:

24 1. I am currently employed as the General Manager of the Inland Empire Utilities
25 Agency (IEUA). I have been employed in that capacity since 2019 and I have firsthand knowledge
26 of the matters set forth in this declaration. If called as a witness, I would be competent to testify to
27 the matters herein set forth.

1 2. IEUA is a municipal water district which provides wastewater treatment services
2 to the cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Fontana, Ontario, Montclair, Upland as well as the Cucamonga
3 Valley Water District. IEUA is also a member agency of the Metropolitan Water District of
4 Southern California and facilitates the delivery of imported water to local agencies in the Chino
5 basin. IEUA’s territorial jurisdiction is comprised of approximately 242 square miles and provides
6 service for more than 800,000 inhabitants.

7 3. In 1999 IEUA was authorized by the Superior Court to serve as lead agency for the
8 CEQA review of the Chino Basin Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP). That work
9 produced a programmatic environmental Impact report (OBMP PEIR) which was certified in July
10 2000.

11 4. In 2017 IEUA served as lead agency in the preparation of Addendum 1 to the
12 OBMP PEIR. That addendum was certified in March 2017.

13 5. In 2020 IEUA again served as lead agency in the preparation of Addendum 2 to the
14 OBMP PEIR which addendum was certified in 2021.

15 6. At no time during the preparation of any of the above listed CEQA documents was
16 there objection made to IEUA acting as lead agency, nor was there a challenge to Watermaster’s
17 authority to select IEUA as the lead agency.

18 7. Since serving as lead agency under the OBMP PEIR, IEUA has implemented
19 approximately 30 of its own projects which fall within the umbrella of the OBMP PEIR. I am not
20 aware of any instance where it was asserted that IEUA used its lead agency status to favor its own
21 projects over the projects of others.

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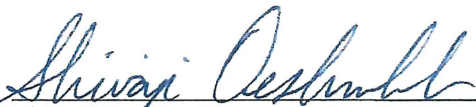
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8. The Chino Basin Program is a project under consideration by IEUA. The CEQA process for that project has been completed and a programmatic environmental impact report was recently certified. Ontario has initiated litigation challenging the adequacy of the CEQA review for that project and said action is currently pending.

I declare under penalty of perjury the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Executed on this 30th day of September 2022 at Chino California.



Shivaji Deshmukh
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER

Case No. RCVRS 51010

Chino Basin Municipal Water District v. City of Chino, et al.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I declare that:

I am employed in the County of San Bernardino, California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action. My business address is Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, California 91730; telephone (909) 484-3888.

On October 3, 2022, I served the following:

1. DECLARATION OF SHIVAJI DESHMUKH IN SUPPORT OF INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION CHALLENGING WATERMASTER'S BUDGET ACTION TO FUND UNAUTHORIZED CEQA REVIEW

BY MAIL: in said cause, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed with postage thereon fully prepaid, for delivery by the United States Postal Service mail at Rancho Cucamonga, California, addresses as follows:

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

Executed on October 3, 2022 in Rancho Cucamonga, California.



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