1 2 3 4 5 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 6 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA 7 8 IN RE: THE GENERAL W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated) ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO 9 Case Nos. W1-11-2081, W1-11-2089, W1-USE WATER IN THE GILA RIVER 11-2090, W1-11-2111, W1-11-2119, W1-SYSTEM AND SOURCE 10 11-2128; W1-11-2708; W1-11-2697 11 ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION 12 REGARDING EXPERT **DISCLOSURES** 13 (Special Master Sherri L. Zendri) 14 CONTESTED CASE NAMES: In re Orie Alvin Owens, Sr., et al. (W1-11-2081); In Valley 15 National Bank (W1-11-2089); In William & Esther Taylor (W1-11-2090); In re Ruth B. Singer (W1-11-2111); In re San Pedro Investments (W1-11-2119); In re Robin L. and Linda M. Richey (W1-11-2128); In re Norman G. and Barbara Y. Crawford (W1-11-2708); 16 17 In re Hope Iselin Jones (W1-11-2697) HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report 18 19 **NUMBER OF PAGES: 8** 20 On December 23, 2024, the parties to this contested case filed a Stipulation 21 Regarding Expert Disclosures. Efforts to resolve the discovery dispute are recognized 22 and appreciated. Parties are urged to keep the number and length of expert reports to a 23 minimum. 24 IT IS ORDERED the stipulation, attached as Exhibit A to this Order, is approved. 25 DATED this 26 27 Sherri L. Zendri

Special Master

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<u>DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY</u>: The undersigned parties submit a stipulation regarding expert witness disclosures.

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The St. David Irrigation District, C-Spear LLC, Hartman Farms LLC, and the Gila River Indian Community have engaged in good faith discussions to resolve a discovery dispute related to expert witness disclosures. In resolution of that dispute, the undersigned parties stipulate as follows:

- 1. On December 3, 2024, the Gila River Indian Community disclosed a supplemental expert report by Brian Westfall dated December 2, 2024, and titled Supplemental Analysis Responding to New Testimony by Claimants' Experts in C-Spear, Brown-Wilson and St. David Cases (the "Westfall Supplemental Report"). A copy of the Westfall Supplemental Report was disclosed in each of the above-captioned contested cases. The undersigned parties agree not to object to the admission or use of the Westfall Supplemental Report or related testimony on the grounds of untimely disclosure. The undersigned parties reserve the right to object to the admission or use of the Westfall Supplemental Report and related testimony on grounds other than untimely disclosure.
- 2. The undersigned parties agree that the St. David Irrigation District, C-Spear LLC, and Hartman Farms LLC may collectively disclose a responsive expert report responding to the opinions set forth in the Westfall Supplemental Report. The responsive expert report shall be disclosed on or before January 3, 2025. The undersigned parties agree not to object to the admission or use of the responsive expert report or related testimony on the grounds of untimely disclosure. The undersigned parties reserve the right to object to the admission or use of the responsive expert report and related testimony on grounds other than untimely disclosure.
- 3. Depositions of claimants' experts were conducted in November 2024. The undersigned parties shall be permitted to conduct a supplemental deposition of an expert disclosing a responsive expert report pursuant to Paragraph 2. The supplemental deposition shall be conducted virtually and be limited to one hour in length.
- 4. Except as provided in Paragraphs 1 and 2, the undersigned parties agree that no additional expert reports will be disclosed without obtaining leave of the Court upon a showing of good cause under Ariz. R. Civ. P. 37(c).

The undersigned parties enter into this stipulation for the purpose of resolving a discovery dispute. Nothing in this stipulation shall be construed as permitting any party to submit supplemental expert reports except as specifically provided herein. If this stipulation is not approved by the Court, the undersigned agree that this stipulation shall not be cited, referred to, or offered into evidence by any party in any circumstance.

A proposed order is attached.

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