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SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In Re:)	
THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION OF ALL)	Arizona Supreme Court
RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE GILA)	No. WC-07-0001-IR
RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE)	
)	Maricopa County
)	Superior Court
)	No. W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4
)	[Consolidated]
)	
)	[Contested Case
)	No. W1-207]
)	

ORDER

A pre-submittal conference was held on August 11, 2008. During the conference, the parties that filed Notices of Appearance discussed further briefing on the merits and the scheduling of oral argument for the petitions granted interlocutory review in this matter. Upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED that the request for further briefing is GRANTED. Petitioners' briefs may be filed by the Apache Tribes and the Lower Gila Water Users on or by October 15, 2008. Respondent United States of America may file responding briefs on or by November 14, 2008. Petitioners may file their replies on or by December 15, 2008. The briefs shall comply with the Arizona Rules of Civil Appellate Procedure.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall file their designation of record, if any, with their briefs, and that the record may include documents filed in Contested Cases W1-207 and W1-203. Each written designation of record shall include a short description identifying with specificity the portion of the document pertinent to the presentation of the arguments and shall identify the specific issue to which the designation is relevant.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the date and time for oral argument on the petitions for interlocutory review will be set after the completion of the briefing. Arizona Supreme Court No. WC-07-0001-IR Page 2 of 3

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the argument on the petition for interlocutory review filed by the Apache Tribes shall proceed according to the following format: petitioner Apache Tribes may have 20 minutes for opening argument/rebuttal, respondent United States may have 20 minutes for response. Respondent and any other party joining in the responding brief may agree among themselves for a different allocation of argument and shall inform the Court of any such allocation not later than 20 days prior to oral argument.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the argument on the petition for interlocutory review filed by the Lower Gila Water Users shall proceed according to the following format: petitioner LGWU may have 20 minutes for opening argument/rebuttal, respondent United States may have 20 minutes for response. Respondent and any other party joining in the responding brief may agree among themselves for a different allocation of argument and shall inform the Court of any such allocation not later than 20 days prior to oral argument.

DATED this _____ day of August, 2008.

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