

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF APACHE

IN CHAMBERS (X) IN OPEN COURT ()

SPECIAL MASTER GEORGE A. SCHADE, JR.
Presiding

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE
LITTLE COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM
AND SOURCE

DATE: January 4, 2011

CV 6417-201

ORDER SETTING A TELEPHONIC
CONFERENCE ON APRIL 19, 2011

CONTESTED CASE NAME: *In re Hopi Tribe Priority.*

HSR INVOLVED: None.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The Special Master sets a telephonic conference on April 19, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. (MST) to review the status of the proposed settlement agreement, the work schedule of the Arizona Department of Water Resources, and other issues or matters that can or should be taken up in this adjudication if this case is stayed.

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The Navajo Nation reported on December 15, 2010, concerning the progress of the water rights settlement known as the Northeastern Arizona Indian Water Settlement Agreement and its position that the Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”) continues working on the Final Hopi Indian Reservation Hydrographic Survey Report (“Final HSR”). The Navajo Nation has requested that the suspension of the pending deadlines in this contested case be continued until at least April 13, 2011, which is the expiration of the federal district court’s stay concerning the Colorado River litigation.

The Hopi Tribe supports the Navajo Nation’s position that ADWR should

continue to work on the Final HSR. The Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc. company recommends determining what work ADWR can complete given its fiscal situation.

The Special Master will continue the suspension of the pending deadlines and will hold a telephonic conference on April 19, 2011, to review the status of the proposed settlement agreement and ADWR's work schedule. If this case is stayed, the Special Master wants to discuss what other issues and matters can or should be taken up in this adjudication.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Setting a telephonic conference on **Tuesday, April 19, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. (MST)** to discuss the matters described above. The parties who wish to participate in the conference will call 1-866-921-2203, press the star key (*), dial the room number 2743132, and press the star key again. The star key must be pressed before and after the room number. Each participant will bear any long distance telephonic charges.

2. Directing ADWR to be prepared to explain how preparation of the Final HSR will fit within its anticipated budget and work schedule and make any recommendations it deems best, and,

3. Requesting the parties to be prepared to discuss what other issues and matters can or should be taken up in this adjudication if this case is stayed.

DATED: January 4, 2011.

/s/ George A. Schade, Jr.
GEORGE A. SCHADE, JR.
Special Master

On January 4, 2011, the original of the foregoing was mailed to the Clerk of the Apache County Superior Court for filing and distributing a copy to all persons listed on the Court approved mailing list for the Little Colorado River Adjudication Civil No. 6417-201 dated July 29, 2010. The Special Master distributed a copy by electronic mail.

/s/ George A. Schade, Jr.
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