IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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COUNSELOR AT LAW 305 SOUTH ARLINGTON AVENUE POST OFFICE BOX 3948 RENO, NEVADA 89505 (775) 348-7011 In the Matter of the Determination of the Relative Rights in and to the Waters of Mott Creek, Taylor Creek, Cary Creek (aka Carey Creek), Monument Creek, and Bulls Canyon, Stutler Creek (aka Stattler Creek), Sheridan Creek, Gansberg Spring, Sharpe Spring, Wheeler Creek No. 1, Wheeler Creek No. 2, Miller Creek, Beers Spring, Luther Creek and Various Unnamed Sources in Carson Valley, Douglas County, Nevada.

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Case No. 08-CV-0363-D

J.W. Bentley; Maryann Bentley, Trustees of the Bentley Family 1995 Trust,

Appellants,

vs.

The State of Nevada, Office of the State Engineer; Thomas J. Scyphers; Kathleen M. Scyphers; Frank Scharo; Sheridan Creek Equestrian Center, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; Donald S. Forrester; Kristina M. Forrester; Hall Ranches, LLC; Ronald R. Mitchell; and Ginger G. Mitchell,

Respondents.

RESPONSE TO THE MOTION FOR DETERMINATION OF FINAL ORDER

Comes now Respondents Thomas J. Scyphers, Kathleen M. Scyphers, Frank Scharo, Sheridan Creek Equestrian Center, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, Donald S. Forrester, Kristina M. Forrester, Hall Ranches, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability

Company, Ronald R. Mitchell and Ginger G. Mitchell, in Response to the Motion for Determination of Final Order, reply as follows:

On January 4, 2013, the Honorable Judge David R. Gamble, entered an Order Awarding Attorney's Fees and Costs (the "Order"), to the Intervenors. See Exhibit 1 to Motion. The Order was made specifically pursuant to NRCP 54(d)(2)(B), which provides as follows:

Unless a statute provides otherwise, the motion [for attorney's fees] must be filed no later than 20 days after entry of judgment is served.

The Motion for Attorney's Fees was timely filed after a Judgment was entered and served in the proceedings.

On February 15, 2013, in Case No. 60891, this Court entered its Order to Dismiss the Appeal, essentially holding that the designated Order and Judgment is not a final Judgment, or that the Order or Judgment was not properly certified pursuant to NRCP 54(b).

It logically follows that the instant order awarding attorney's fees is in the nature of an interlocutory order and not final. It also logically follows that the Intervenors will be entitled to a Supplemental Order Awarding Attorney's Fees and Costs once the entire proceedings are finalized and affirmed.

The recording of the Order was authorized by NRS 247.120(1)(0).

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of February, 2013.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I am an employee of Thomas J. Hall, Esq., and that on this date, pursuant to NRAP 25(d), I deposited in the U.S. mail, postage pre-paid, at Reno, Nevada, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document addressed to:

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Dated this 25th day of February, 2013.

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