

**BEFORE THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER
STATE OF COLORADO**

**IN THE MATTER OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR)
THE DETERMINATION OF THE NONTRIBUTARY NATURE) 2 CCR 402-17
OF GROUND WATER PRODUCED THROUGH WELLS)
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINING OF MINERALS)**

SEVENTH PREHEARING ORDER

CLOSING STATEMENTS

Any written closing statements Parties desire to file are due to the State Engineer and other Parties by 12:00 noon on January 22, 2010.

SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY RULEMAKING HEARING - TRAILING DOCKET

The rulemaking hearing is on a trailing docket and testimony is proceeding at a faster pace than anticipated. The hearing schedule has been revised accordingly, as set forth below.

January 11, 2010

Public Comment

Paradox Basin:

2 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony - Proponents

½ hour responsive testimony – River District

1/3 hour responsive testimony – Staff

Piceance CBM - Neslen Formation:

1 hour presentation/rebuttal testimony and closing statement – Proponents

1 hour responsive testimony and closing statement – River District

½ hour responsive testimony and closing statement – Natural Soda

1/3 hour responsive testimony and closing statement - Staff

Vermillion/Sand Wash Basin:

3 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony – Proponents

½ hour responsive testimony – River District

1/3 hour responsive testimony – Staff

January 12, 2010

Piceance Basin (Wilson Creek, Rangely) and

Sand Wash Basin (Hiawatha/West Hiawatha):

4 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony – Proponents

January 13, 2010

Piceance Basin (Shallow Formations):
6 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony – Proponents

January 14, 2010

Piceance Basin (Deep Formations):
4 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony – Proponents
2 hours responsive testimony on entire Piceance Basin – River District
1 hour responsive testimony on entire Piceance Basin – Natural Soda
¾ hour responsive testimony on entire Piceance Basin – Staff

January 15, 2010

San Juan Basin:
4 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony - Proponents
½ hour responsive testimony - Staff

January 19, 2010

D-J Basin:
6 hours presentation/rebuttal testimony – Proponents

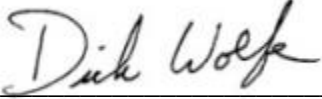
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D-J Basin Continued:
6 hours responsive testimony – City of Sterling et al.
4 hours responsive testimony – Centennial Water & Sanitation District et al.
½ hour responsive testimony – Staff

January 21, 2010

D-J Basin Continued (if necessary)

Dated this 11th day of January, 2010.


Dick Wolfe, State Engineer