OLCESE WATER DISTRICT

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January 26, 2018

Kern Groundwater Authority (c/o Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group) 1800 30th Street, Suite 280 Bakersfield, CA 93301

Re:

Olcese Water District Notice of Withdrawal From The

KGA Joint Powers Agreement

Dear Board of Directors:

By way of this letter, the Olcese Water District ("District") is hereby providing notice that it has elected to withdraw from the Kern Groundwater Authority For The Tulare Lake Basin Portions of Kern County Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement dated April 5, 2016 ("KGA JPA"). The effective date of the District's withdrawal shall be thirty (30) days from the date of this notice as provided in Section 6.02(b) of the KGA JPA. Additionally, the District does hereby withdraw from any future participation in any and all executed Special Activity Agreements.

The District has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to prepare its own GSP and, therefore, has decided to withdraw from the KGA JPA. However, we look forward to working together as we coordinate efforts to comply with SGMA. It is our intention to continue to participate in the basin-wide groundwater modeling efforts and will be asking the Kern River GSA to bill the District directly for our portion of those costs.

Given that the District will no longer be participating in the KGA JPA, enclosed herein is a notice of Jeff Siemens' resignation from the Kern Groundwater Authority Board of Directors. Thank you for your assistance with this matter, and we kindly ask that you advise the District if any further action is required to effectuate the District's withdrawal from the KGA JPA.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the KGA JPA and your cooperation with the District's withdrawal. If you have any questions relating to the issues addressed herein, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned

Best Regards,

James L. Nickel, President

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Cc: All KGA JPA Members

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Re:

Resignation of Jeff Siemens from the Kern Groundwater Authority

Board of Directors

To Whom It May Concern:

Effective <u>Jaw. 26</u>, 2018, I, Jeff Siemens am hereby resigning and vacating my position on the Board of Directors of the Kern Groundwater Authority. It has been a pleasure to serve with all of you on this Board.

Best Regards,

Jeff Siemens

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