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Mr. Dirk Reed Project Manager Metropolitan Water District P.O. Box 54153 Los Angeles, CA 90054

RE: Response to Draft EIR/EIS for the Cadiz Groundwater Storage and Dry-Year Supply Program

Dear Mr. Reed:

The Victor Valley Water District supports the Cadiz Groundwater Storage and Dry-Year Supply Program.

The District is a proponent of groundwater storage projects that result in offsetting reliance on groundwater supplies. We are considering a similar project in the High Desert and have recently undertaken a pilot recharge study to empirically determine recharge feasibility in our area.

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Sincerely

Randy Hill, PE General Manager

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