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#### August 22, 2023

## IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION – STATE OF MONTANA-UNITED STATES COMPACT Montana Water Court

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ADJUDICATION OF THE EXISTING AND RESERVED RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER, BOTH SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND, OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION WITHIN THE STATE OF MONTANA

CASE NO. WC-0001-C-2021

### STIPULATION OF WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTION AND STATEMENT OF NO CALL BY THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION, STATE OF MONTANA, AND UNITED STATES

- 1. The Parties to this Stipulation are the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, the State of Montana, and the United States of America (collectively, the "Compacting Parties"), and I ("Objector").
- 2. The Objector timely filed his Notice of Objection and Request for hearing with the Montana Water Court regarding the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes - State of Montana - United States Compact ("Compact"). See ROA
- 3. The Objector holds two water rights that have a purpose other than irrigation. Those Statement of Claim, and water rights are: . Statement of

Claim, as set forth in the General Abstracts attached hereto.

4. Objector alleges that the Tribes and the United States will be able to exercise the Tribal Water Right in a way that harms him. Pursuant to Article III.G.1 of the Compact, the Tribes and the United States have agreed not to exercise the Tribal Water Right found in the Preliminary Decree to make a call against the water rights of Objector described in paragraph three and will not seek to do so.

- The State concurs that under the Compact the Tribes and the United States are unable to make a call on the water rights described in paragraph three.
- 6. Based upon the foregoing, the undersigned Objector agrees to withdraw his objection, and further understands that this withdrawal will be filed in the docket for this case and, upon filing, Objector will be dismissed as an Objector in this case, removed from the service list, will not receive further filings from the Court or other parties related to this case, and will not be able to file an appeal regarding the ultimate disposition of this case.
- 7. The Parties agree that this Stipulation provides the entire agreement of the Parties.
- 8. Each of the Parties represents and affirms that the person or persons executing this Stipulation on their behalf is legally authorized to bind the party in this matter and is executing this Stipulation voluntarily, in good faith and without any misunderstanding, misrepresentation, overreaching, duress, or undue influence, whatsoever.
- 9. The Parties agree that this Stipulation may be signed separately by each party.
- 10. This Stipulation is binding on all heirs, successors and assigns, representatives, and agents of the Parties.

#### **OBJECTOR**

DATED: 08/16/2023

COMPACT PARTIES

DATED: 8/22/2023

# /s/ David Harder

Attorney for the United States of America

DATED: <u>8/22/2023</u>

# /s/ Daniel J. Decker

Attorney for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes

DATED: 8/22/2023

/s/ Molly Kelly

Attorney for the State of Montana

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on August 22, 2023, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing STIPULATION OF WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTION AND STATEMENT OF NO CALL BY THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION, STATE OF MONTANA, AND UNITED STATES by electronic mail to counsel for the Compact Parties and by first-class mail, postage prepaid, upon the Objector:



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