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PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

Dear Records Custodian,

Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, I request access to and copies of all correspondence, including attachments, with David Bernhardt since and including May 1, 2010 that involves any of the following individuals:

- Any member of the Westlands Water District Board of Directors during this time-period
- Thomas W. Birmingham, or anyone else holding the position of “General Manager” during this time-period.
- Philip Williams, or anyone else holding the position of “General Counsel” during this time-period.
- Dan Pope, or anyone else holding the position of “Chief Operating Officer” during this time-period.
- Shelly Ostrowski, or anyone else holding the position of “Associate General Manager – Water Policy” during this time-period.
- Johnny Amaral, or anyone else holding the position of “Deputy General Manager – External Affairs” during this time-period.
- Sheila Greene, or anyone else holding the position of “Science Advisor” during this time-period.
- Jose Gutierrez, or anyone else holding the position of “Deputy General Manager - Resources” during this time-period.
- Russ Freeman, or anyone else holding the position of “Supervisor of Resources” during this time-period.

This should include, but is not limited to email, digital or instant messages, hardcopy or other official correspondence, including attachments, regardless of format which involves Mr. Bernhardt and any of these individuals – including correspondence in which one party is merely carbon-copied (“CC”).

These records may be contained within the following enterprise systems and I request that they be searched under the terms of this request, however this request is not limited to information contained within these systems:

Kerio Connect
MailArchiva Server
Microsoft Office 2010 Standard
Microstoft SQL Server 2008 R2 Std
Symantec Backup Exec

I request a waiver of all fees as the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of Westlands Water District's operations and stewardship of public funds.

Mr. Bernhardt has been nominated by the President of the United States to the role of Deputy Secretary of the Interior. As such, I request expedited processing for this request so the public may understand Mr. Bernhardt's role and activities with the Westlands Water District in order to better advise their elected representatives regarding Mr. Bernhardt's nomination.

If possible, I would prefer to receive this information electronically via e-mail at csaeger@westernvaluesproject.org.

If you have questions or need additional information from me, please feel free to call me at 406-438-1918.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Chris Saeger
Executive Director
Western Values Project