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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

August 23, 2026

NO. S-1-SC-41580

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY,

Petitioner,

v.

ELIZABETH ANDERSON, in her official capacity as NEW MEXICO STATE ENGINEER,

Respondents,

and

SANTA TERESA CAPITAL, LLC,

Real Party in Interest.

ORDER

WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration upon the Court's own motion to request a response to the *emergency verified petition for writ of mandamus and request for stay*, and the Court being sufficiently advised, Chief Justice Julie J. Vargas, Justice Michael E. Vigil, Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice David K. Thomson, and Justice Briana H. Zamora concurring;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the request for stay is GRANTED, and the October 23, 2025, emergency drilling authorization

permitting the use of water from a new well for the construction of Project Jupiter is hereby STAYED until further order of the Court;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a response shall be timely if filed on or before **September 02, 2026**; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no reply shall be filed unless ordered by the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

WITNESS, the Honorable Julie J. Vargas, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 23rd day of August, 2026.

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of New Mexico

By _____
Chief Deputy Clerk

I CERTIFY AND ATTEST:
A true copy was served on all parties
or their counsel of record on date filed.
Lysette Roxana Cordova
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of New Mexico