1 2 3 4 5 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 6 7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF APACHE 8 9 IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION 10 OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN Civil Case No. CV6417-300 THE LITTLE COLORADO RIVER 11 SYSTEM AND SOURCE ORDER DENYING CITY OF 12 FLAGSTAFF'S MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION 13 14 15 16 CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re Navajo Nation 17 HSR INVOLVED: Navajo Reservation Hydrographic Survey Report. 18 19 DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: City of Flagstaff's Motion for Clarification is denied. 20 NUMBER OF PAGES: 2 21 DATE OF FILING: October 4, 2022 22 The City of Flagstaff seeks a Motion to Clarify the Minute Entry filed September 16, 23 24 2022, that governs the continued deposition of Erin Young. The Minute Entry limited both 25

25 the time and the scope of the questions. It affirmed that the City of Flagstaff may instruct Ms.

Young not to answer a question to preserve a privilege as permitted by Ariz. R. Civ. P. 30(c)(2).

It also permitted the City of Flagstaff to instruct Ms. Young not to answer questions extended

beyond the scope of the continued deposition. Although the City of Flagstaff titled its motion as one seeking clarification, the motion seeks reconsideration of the Minute Entry. The City of Flagstaff requests reconsideration of the decision to permit the Navajo Nation to ask questions that it has asked in whole or in part in the original deposition session. The Navajo Nation filed a response in opposition to the motion.

The Minute Entry specifically states that the City of Flagstaff "may not instruct the witness not to answer a question solely on the grounds that it was asked in the first day of the deposition." Minute Entry at 3. If the Navajo Nation elects to use a part or all of its remaining one hour to depose Ms. Young to ask questions already asked, either in part or in whole, which also fall within the scope of questions permitted by the Minute Entry, then the Navajo Nation may do so without objection from the City of Flagstaff. No reason exists to make the remainder of this deposition more difficult by introducing an additional ground for instructing Ms. Young not to answer. The deposition is limited by both time and scope. The City of Flagstaff and its witness will not be unreasonably oppressed or annoyed or unduly burdened by repetitive questions if the Navajo Nation elects to use its one hour in such a manner.

IT IS ORDERED denying City of Flagstaff's Motion for Clarification.

Susan Ward Harris Special Master

On October 4, 2022, the original of the foregoing was delivered to the Clerk of the Apache County Superior Court for filing and distributing a copy to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list for this contested case.

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