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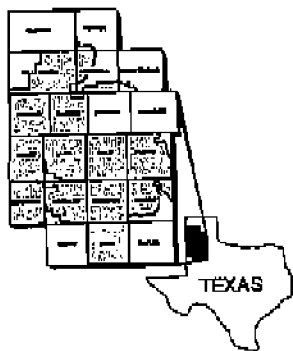
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Re: Petitions filed by G&J Ranch, Inc. and Mesa Water, L.P. in opposition to the desired future conditions (DFC) adopted by Groundwater Management Area Number One (GMA 1)

Dear Kevin:

The Board of Directors of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 based their decision to adopt a 50/50 DFC, or goal, for the Ogallala aquifer for the district portion of GMA 1 based on the following criteria:

- 1) After years of discussion, the board made a commitment to ensure the economic viability of irrigated agriculture in the High Plains and the board saw that 50/50 is a way to sustain that water for generations to come.
- 2) Significant support for the 50/50 management goal already existed. The area has been under a certain positive level of acceptance and the board did not desire to lose that support.

Please accept this letter as the testimony which the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 intends to provide at the hearing.

Sincerely,

Jim Conkwright  
General Manager

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