## In the

## SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

STATE OF TEXAS,

Plaintiff,

v.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO and STATE OF COLORADO,

Defendants.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Intervenor.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL MASTER

ORDER
January 12, 2023

## ORDER

For the purposes of the proceedings before the Special Master, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

A status conference in this case was held on January 12, 2023. As a result of the discussions at that status conference, the following order is entered.

1. Motion to approve settlement and enter consent decree.

Oral arguments on the motion to approve the settlement between the compacting states of Texas, New Mexico and Colorado will come on for hearing on February 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., United States Courthouse, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Courtroom Number 1.

The order of presentation of arguments and time limits is as follows:

- A. Proponents of the settlement agreement (compacting states) -2 hours to be divided as they deem appropriate.
- B. United States 2 hours.
- C. Amici 1 hour. The 1 hour is to be divided between the supporters of the settlement agreement (1/2 hour) and opponents of the settlement agreement (1/2 hour). The amici shall agree amongst themselves as to how to divide their respective 1/2 hour of argument time.
- D. Reply by compacting states -1/2 hour.
- 2. It is anticipated that a live video and audio feed of the oral arguments will be made available to interested parties. Further notice will be disseminated as to how to access the video and audio feed.

3. A status conference in the above case will be held on **Monday**, **January 30, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.** I would request Worldwide Court Reporters set up the Zoom link.

Dated: January 12, 2023

Honorable Michael J. Melloy

Special Master

United States Circuit Judge