

No. 141, Original

In the
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

STATE OF TEXAS,

Plaintiff,

v.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO and
STATE OF COLORADO,

Defendants.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL MASTER

ORDER

April 1, 2020

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

Pursuant to discussions with counsel at the March 19, 2020, telephonic hearing it is Ordered as follows.

1. Due to the Covid-19 emergency, deposition discovery is stayed pending further order of the court. To the extent possible all other discovery, including the submission and response to interrogatories and exchanging of documents is not stayed.
2. New Mexico's deadline to submit its rebuttal expert reports is extended. A new deadline will be set after further consultation with counsel.
3. New Mexico's emergency motion to stay all proceedings pending the retention of new trial counsel is denied. Whether New Mexico will be given some more limited extension will be discussed at a subsequent status conference in this case. Any extension will depend in a large extent to the length of any discovery stay that may be required as the result of the Covid-19 limitations on travel and social distancing.
4. The parties are not required to file an April 3, 2020, status report.
5. A telephonic status conference will be held on May 1, 2020, at 11:00 A.M. CDT, to discuss the setting of new deadlines, tentative trial date and other matters relevant to resolution of this case. The parties can use the same Bridge line number previously used in this case.

Dated: April 1, 2020



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