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

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS' MOTION TO SUPPLEMENT CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 4

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To the Honorable Special Master:

Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of Case Management Order No. 4, the City of El Paso, Texas (El Paso) requests that the Special Master supplement the Order to allow oral argument by El Paso upon the following grounds:

- 1. El Paso depends upon water apportioned to Texas by the Rio Grande Compact for its municipal water supply, meeting up to half the annual demand of the almost 800,000 customers it serves with Rio Grande water when it is available. As such, El Paso has a vital interest in the outcome of this litigation.
- 2. El Paso opposes New Mexico's motion to dismiss and has previously briefed the facts and issues presented. *See* Brief of *Amicus Curiae* City of El Paso, Texas in Opposition to New Mexico's Motion to Dismiss Texas' Complaint and the United States' Complaint in Intervention.
- 3. El Paso did not previously request permission to present argument because it has been the experience of undersigned counsel that oral argument by *amici* is rarely allowed in such original actions.
- 4. El Paso appreciates the Special Master's willingness to hear argument from *amici*, believes that its argument will assist the Special Master's consideration of New Mexico's motion, and requests that it also be allotted time to address New Mexico's motion to dismiss.

Counsel for El Paso has conferred electronically with counsel for the parties and for other *amici* and, as of the time of filing this motion, has been advised of no objections to its motion.

Dated June 26, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify by my signature below that on the 26th day of June, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Motion was forwarded via email to the parties on the attached Service List.

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