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Re: Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2

Dear Ms. Parsons:

This firm represents the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District ("the UBS District"). Applicant, Classic Consulting, LLC, on behalf of TimberRidge Development Group, LLC, provided materials in support of its application for a final plat for Filing No. 2 of its TimberRidge subdivision development. TimberRidge is located outside the UBS District's boundaries and, as explained in the Applicant's application, Filing No. 2 will consist of 90 single family homes and three tracts for open space on about 76 acres. The UBS District reviewed the Applicant's application materials and submits the following comments:

Water Export

TimberRidge lies outside the UBS District's boundaries but Applicant's water resources report indicates that TimberRidge will obtain its water supply in part from the Sterling Ranch Metro District. It is the UBS District's understanding that Sterling Ranch Metro District has previously expressed the possibility of connecting to both the Cherokee Metropolitan District ("Cherokee") and Woodmen Hills Metropolitan District ("Woodmen Hills") water delivery systems. Because Cherokee and Woodmen Hills obtain their supply in part from wells within the UBS District, if such a water supply connection occurred in the future it would constitute an export

out of the basin pursuant to Rule 7 of the UBS District's Rules and Regulations. Cherokee has previously obtained approval from the UBS District to export its water supply from certain wells and in certain amounts. If Applicant proposes to use water supplies sourced from Cherokee in the future, Applicant should provide detailed descriptions and supporting documentation demonstrating how much exportable supply has been previously committed to other uses and for what uses specifically. Without this information, the UBS District and the County would not be able to evaluate whether excess exportable supply is actually available to supply TimberRidge via the Sterling Ranch Metro District.

Wastewater Service

Applicant indicates that wastewater service for TimberRidge will be provided by the Sterling Ranch Metro District. *See* Letter of Intent at 2. It is the UBS District's understanding that the Sterling Ranch Metro District discharges its waste into the Meridian Metropolitan District's ("Meridian") treatment facilities. Currently, Meridian's discharges at the Woodmen Hills wastewater facility do not meet the Water Quality Control Commission's site-specific water quality standards for groundwater discharges. Compliance with all applicable site-specific water quality standards must be required to continue to add additional wastewater discharges and to ensure that water quality within the UBS Basin is not impaired.

The UBS District reserves the right to provide additional comments at a later date founded upon information not readily ascertainable from the above-referenced application.

Sincerely,

Mirko L. Kruse

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cc: UBSCGWMD Board of Directors