

1147. That appeal raises the same controlling legal issue that is raised in this action.

The public interest, the interests of judicial economy, and the interest of third parties favor a stay of this case because the Tenth Circuit is likely to issue a definitive decision as to whether 24 CFR § 1000.318 is valid or not before this Court could decide this case on the merits. At the very least, the Tenth Circuit's decision is likely to streamline this Court's consideration of the central issues in this case, if not to indicate a disposition of this case.

The parties further stipulate and agree that they shall inform this Court of the decision in the Fort Peck appeal within 20 days of its issuance and that the plaintiff shall have 30 days following notification of the Court of the Fort Peck decision as the time within which to serve the defendants in this case, if the parties decide, in light of the Fort Peck decision, to proceed with this matter.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2009.

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IT IS SO ORDERED:

DATED: May 4, 2009

LARRY R. HICKS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE