IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

No. 37471

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SEA, INC., AND STANTEC CONSULTING INC.,

Petitioners,

vs.

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THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK, AND THE HONORABLE RON D. PARRAGUIRRE AND THE HONORABLE MICHAEL A. CHERRY, DISTRICT JUDGES,

Respondents,

and

PATRICK BENNETT AND THERESA BENNETT,

Real Parties in Interest.¹

ORDER DENYING PETITION

FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus challenging a district court order partially denying petitioners' motion for summary judgment and an order denying petitioners' motion for reconsideration.

A writ of mandamus is appropriate when there is no plain, speedy and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of law.² While a writ of mandamus will not lie to control a discretionary act, it will issue when the lower court's discretion is manifestly abused, or exercised arbitrarily and capriciously.³ Further, mandamus is an extraordinary remedy,

¹We direct the clerk of this court to amend the caption on the court's docket to correspond to the caption on this order.

²<u>See</u> NRS 34.170.

³<u>See</u> Round Hill Gen. Imp. Dist. v. Newman, 97 Nev. 601, 637 P.2d 534 (1981).

and it is within the discretion of this court to determine if a petition will be considered.⁴

We have considered this petition for a writ of mandamus and we are not satisfied that this court's intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted at this time. We therefore deny the petition.⁵

It is so ORDERED.6

J. Shearing J. Aqosti J. Rose

cc: Hon. Ron D. Parraguirre, District Judge Hon. Michael A. Cherry, District Judge Law Office of James Shields Beasley Schofield & Associates Clark County Clerk

⁴<u>See</u> Poulos v. District Court, 98 Nev. 453, 652 P.2d 1177 (1982).

⁵<u>See</u> NRAP 21(b); Smith v. District Court, 113 Nev. 1343, 950 P.2d 280 (1997).

⁶In light of this order, we deny as moot petitioners' request to stay the proceedings in the district court pending resolution of this writ petition, and we deny petitioners' request for costs.

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