RESOLUTION NO. 1949

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN CITY COUNCIL APPROVING LEASE OF WATER TO BALL FOUR, INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Golden has excess water rights during certain periods of the year; and

WHEREAS, Ball Four, Inc. has requested to lease up to 12 acre feet of Golden water.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

City Council hereby approves the lease with Ball Four, Inc. in essentially the same form as the copy of such lease accompanying this resolution.

Adopted this 12th day of February, 2009.

Jacob Smith

Susan M. Brooks, MMC

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

David S. Williamson

City Attorney

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I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a rescheduled regular business meeting thereof held on the 12th day of February, A.D., 2009.

ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of

Golden, Colorado

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80005, as Lessee ("Ball Four").	

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augmentation water released from Guanella Reservoir as contemplated hereunder, Ball Four shall have the right to terminate this Agreement. In either event, if the Agreement is terminated under this paragraph 2(c), Ball Four shall withdraw the application, as amended.

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- 9. <u>Notice</u>: Any required written notice, demand, or conveyance of information shall be sent via U.S. mail or fax, to:

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By:		
Name:		
Title:		
STATE OF COLORADO)) ss. COUNTY OF JEFFERSON_)		
The foregoing instrument was subscribed and, 2009, by		day of
Witness my hand and official seal		
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BALL FOUR INC., a Colorado corporation:	
By: Juny	
Name: CARLY GEUTLEY	
Title:	
STATE OF COLORADO)	
COUNTY OF <u>Denver</u>) ss.	
The foregoing instrument was subscribed and sworn to Learny, 2009, by Learny Gentry.	before me this 2 day of
Witness my hand and official seal	
My commission expires: 1-30-2011	Clisi Whickeye
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