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Special Master Ralph I. Lancaster, Jr.  
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Re: *Amicus Curiae* Briefing in Florida v. Georgia, No. 142, Orig.

Dear Special Master Lancaster:

We represent Alabama Rivers Alliance, Apalachicola Riverkeeper, Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, and Flint Riverkeeper. These environmental organizations in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia, collectively work to protect and restore the rivers within the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint Basin. They are deeply invested in the outcome of *Florida v. Georgia*, and are interested in submitting an *amicus curiae* brief to highlight a number of important and relevant environmental considerations that may not have been brought to your attention in the course of the litigation thus far. While we assume that Supreme Court Rule 37.3 would apply to *amicus* briefs filed before the Court, after reviewing the most recent version of the Case Management Plan, we were unable to determine whether or when there may be an opportunity for *amicus* briefing before the Special Master. We respectfully ask for your guidance on this matter – particularly whether such *amicus* briefs will be permitted, and, if so, the schedule for filing these briefs.

Regards,

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