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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

SALMON SPAWNING & RECOVERY  
ALLIANCE, WILD FISH CONSERVANCY,  
NATIVE FISH SOCIETY, and CLARK-  
SKAMANIA FLYFISHERS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

D. ROBERT LOHN, in his official capacity,  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION'S NATIONAL MARINE  
FISHERIES SERVICE, CARLOS M.  
GUTIERREZ, in his official capacity, UNITED  
STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,  
REN R. LOHOEFENER, in his official  
capacity, UNITED STATES FISH &  
WILDLIFE SERVICE, DIRK KEMPTHORNE,  
in his official capacity, UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Defendants.

Case No. 06-01462 RSL

PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO ORDER  
ON MAY 1, 2008 LETTER

The Court has ordered that a May 1, 2008 letter sent by Mr. James Buchal to the Court be placed in the docket for purposes of making the document public. Plaintiffs file this response to the Court's order solely to make the public record clear that they had no prior knowledge of Mr. Buchal's May 1, 2008 letter, nor of his intent to make ex parte contact with the Court, nor do Plaintiffs or their counsel join in his allegations,

1 to the extent they understand them.

2 DATED: May 12, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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By: /s/ Eric Redman  
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NO. 23923)

Counsel for Plaintiffs  
Salmon Spawning & Recovery Alliance, Wild  
Fish Conservancy, Native Fish Society, and  
Clark-Skamania Flyfishers

1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I hereby certify that on May 12, 2008, I electronically filed the foregoing with  
3 the Clerk of the Court for the Western District of Washington at Seattle using the  
4 CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all attorneys of record in  
5 this matter, and I further certify that I have not caused service by any other means.

6 Dated this 12th day of May, 2008.

7 /s/ Svend A. Brandt-Erichsen  
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10 Attorney for Salmon Spawning &  
11 Recovery Alliance, Wild Fish Conservancy,  
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