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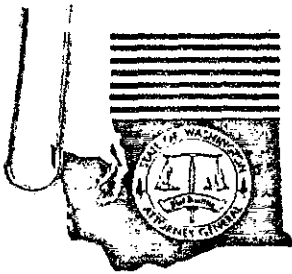
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Honorable William N. Goodwin
United States District Judge
United States Courthouse
Tacoma, WA 98402

Office of Clerk
U. S. District Court
Tacoma, Washington

re: U.S.A. v. State of Washington
No. 9213

Dear Judge Goodwin:

As you will probably recall, I stated at the pretrial conference held sometime ago that, on behalf of the Washington Department of Game, I would respond to the pending motions to strike certain affirmative defenses and file a motion for summary judgment. Shortly after that pretrial conference, the other Assistant Attorney General assigned to Fisheries and Game left for the green pastures of private practice, and, to date, there has been no replacement. Additionally, I am going to be in Washington, D.C., for a hearing before the Federal Power Commission involving the Wells Hydroelectric Project until September 1. Therefore, I will not be able to file my motion as I promised until sometime during the month of September.

I do not believe that this will prejudice the plaintiffs in this case inasmuch as the State of Washington has recently agreed to their request for an extension of time in which to make their initial discovery filings pursuant to the pretrial order. It is my understanding that, under the terms of the extension, the State of Washington has until October 15th to respond to the initial filings by the Federal Government.

Very truly yours,

FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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