EXHIBIT 188

WAIVER OF SERVICE OF NOTICE IN LIEU OF SUMMONS

TO: Susan L. Schneider, attorney for the United States of America

1. I acknowledge receipt of your request that I waive service of a Notice in Lieu of Summons in the action of *United States v. Walker River Irrigation District*, which is docket number In Equity C-125, Subfile C-125-B, in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada.

2. I have also received a copy of the FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, the FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM OF WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE, the CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER (Apr. 18, 2000), two copies of a NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND INTENT TO PARTICIPATE, a copy of the ORDER – DISCLAIMER OF INTEREST and related form, a copy of the ORDER REGARDING CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP OF WATER RIGHTS and related form, two copies of this instrument (WAIVER OF SERVICE OF NOTICE IN LIEU OF SUMMONS), and a means by which I can return the signed waiver to you without cost to me.

3. I agree to save the cost to me of service of a Notice in Lieu of Summons and an additional copy of the FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and the FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM OF THE WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE in this lawsuit by not requiring that I (or the entity on whose behalf I am acting) be served with judicial process in the manner provided by Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

4. I understand that if I waive service of a Notice in Lieu of Summons, I must mail a NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND INTENT TO PARTICIPATE to Susan L. Schneider, attorney for the United States, and I may use the same envelope provided for return of the waiver of service.

5. I (or the entity on whose behalf I am acting) will retain all defenses or objections to the lawsuit or to the jurisdiction or venue of the Court except for objections based on a defect in the Notice in Lieu of Summons or in the service of the Notice in Lieu of Summons.

Date: 25 OCT 2005

James Ruble
Signature

JAMES H. RUBLE
Printed/Typed Name

If you are acting on behalf of any entity, identify that you are acting as: _____ of
(Title)

_____
(Corporate, Trust, Partnership or other entity)

Duty to Avoid Unnecessary Costs of Service of Notice in Lieu of Summons

Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires certain parties to cooperate in saving unnecessary costs of service of the Notice in Lieu of Summons and the First Amended Counterclaims. An entity (such as yourself) located in the United States who, after being notified of an action and asked by a plaintiff (here the United States and Tribe) located in the United States to waive service of a Notice in Lieu of Summons, fails to do so will be required to bear the cost of such service unless good cause be shown for its failure to sign and return the waiver.

It is not good cause for a failure to waive service that a party believes that the claims of the opposing parties are unfounded, or that the action has been brought in an improper place or in a court that lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter of the action or over its person or property. A party who waives service the Notice in Lieu of Summons retains all defenses and objections (except any relating to the Notice in Lieu of Summons or to the service of the Notice in of Summons), and may later object to the jurisdiction of the court or to the place where the action has been brought.

An entity in this case who waives service must, within 60 days, as specified on the waiver form, provide the court and DOJ attorney S. Schneider with a notice of appearance and intent to participate.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE,	)	IN EQUITY NO. C-125
Plaintiff-Intervenor,	)	SUBFILE NO. C-125-B
vs.	)	
WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, a corporation, et al.,	)	

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

1. I hereby enter my appearance in this sub-proceeding in this case.

2. I am filing this document with the District Court at the following address:

Chief Deputy Clerk
United States District Court for the
District of Nevada
400 South Virginia Street, Suite 301
Reno, Nevada 89501

3. In the envelope provided for return of my Waiver of Service of Notice in Lieu of Summons, I am mailing a copy of this document to:

Susan L. Schneider
Attorney for the United States of America
United States Department of Justice
Environment & Natural Resources Division
P.O. Box 756
Littleton, Colorado 80160

4. I (or the entity on whose behalf I am acting) will retain all defenses or objections to the lawsuit or to the jurisdiction or venue of the court except for objections based on a defect in the Notice in Lieu of Summons or in the service of the Notice in Lieu of Summons.

5. If I (or the entity on whose behalf I am acting) have retained an attorney to represent me in these proceedings, I identify that attorney below, along with his or her mailing address, telephone number, and facsimile number:

Attorney:

Address:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

(Signature)

JAMES H. RUBLE

(Printed or typed Name)

(775) 463-4155

(Entity, if any, on whose behalf you are appearing)

15 COTTONWOOD LN

YERINGTON, NV 89447

(Address)

(Telephone number)

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