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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	IN EQUITY NO. C-125-ECR
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE,	)	Subproceedings: C-125-B & C-125-C
	)	3:73-CV-00127-ECR- WGC &
Plaintiff-Intervenor,	)	3:73-CV-00128-ECR- WGC
vs.	)	
	)	
WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT,	)	<b>RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES</b>
a corporation, et al.,	)	<b>OF AMERICA, THE WALKER RIVER</b>
	)	<b>PAIUTE TRIBE AND MINERAL</b>
Defendants.	)	<b>COUNTY TO THE REQUEST OF</b>
	)	<b>WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION FOR</b>
_____	)	<b>ORAL ARGUMENT CONCERNING</b>
MINERAL COUNTY,	)	<b>OBJECTIONS TO RULINGS OF</b>
	)	<b>MAGISTRATE JUDGE</b>
Proposed-Plaintiff-Intervenor,	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT	)	
a corporation, et al.,	)	
	)	
Proposed Defendants.	)	
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The United States of America (“United States”), the Walker River Paiute Tribe (“Tribe”) (Plaintiff and Plaintiff-Intervenor in Subproceeding C-125-B) and Mineral County (Proposed Plaintiff-Intervenor in Subproceeding C-125-C)(collectively “Plaintiff Parties”) have received the Request of Walker River Irrigation District for Oral Argument Concerning Objections to

Rulings of Magistrate Judge. *Request of Walker River Irrigation for Oral Argument Concerning Objections to Rulings of Magistrate Judge* (December 30, 2011) (C-125-B #1676, C-125-C #568). Oral argument would appear to be unnecessary because the issues before the Court have been fully briefed before the Magistrate Judge and this Court. Nevertheless, the Plaintiff Parties stand ready to assist the Court as it directs.

Dated: January 5, 2012

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I hereby certify that on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012, I electronically filed the foregoing **RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE AND MINERAL COUNTY TO THE REQUEST OF WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT CONCERNING OBJECTIONS TO RULINGS OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE** with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the following via their email addresses:

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