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Hon. Thomas S. Zilly
Senior Judge
United States District Court
Western District of Washington
United States Courthouse
700 Stewart Street, Suite 15229
Seattle, WA 98101
Attn: Kathryn Kim

Re: November 2008 Claim (Including 12/3 Tour & Public Meeting), Water Master, *United States & Lummi Indian Nation v. Department of Ecology*, No. C01-0047Z

Dear Judge Zilly:

The following is my statement for services rendered and reasonable costs incurred for November and the first three days of December 2008 pursuant to my appointment as Water Master for the Lummi Decree.

My tour of the Lummi Peninsula and public meeting occurred on December 3. Since my expenses for this travel spanned November and early December, I thought it would be more informative to set forth all my time and expenses for this event in the same claim. I will submit my claim for any time and expenses incurred from December 4 to 31 in early January.

Date	Description	Amount
<i>Services Rendered</i>		
Nov. 3, 4, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 24, 25 & 26	E-mail correspondence & telephone calls re postponement & rescheduling of Water Master tour of case area (now set for 12/3/08); total of 1 hour @ \$200	\$200.00

Nov. 10	Preparation of notice to water users re public meeting (12/3); copying & mailing of public notice to 80+ water users; total of 1 hour @ \$200	200.00
Nov. 28	Review of Lummi Settlement Agreement; Preparation of Agenda/ Handout for public meeting on 12/3; total of 2 hours @ \$200	400.00
December 3	Tour & public meeting on Lummi Peninsula (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.); total of 8 hours @ \$200	1,600.00
Subtotal		\$2,400.00
<i>Expenses Incurred</i>		
The Printery, Plains, MT (11/6)	Copies	\$4.50
The Printery, Plains, MT (11/10)	Copies of public notice; envelopes	10.14
US Postal Service (11/10)	Postage for public notice	37.80
The Printery, Plains, MT (11/25)	Public meeting banner for meeting	20.00
The Printery, Plains, MT (11/28)	Copies of agenda for public meeting	18.00
Alaska Air (11/19)	Plane reservation for Spokane - Seattle flight on 12/3 for public meeting	92.50
Mileage, Plains, MT to Spokane	172 miles @\$585 (GAO rate) (return mileage billed to another client)	100.62
National Car Rental	Car rental (Sea-Tac-Lummi-Sea-Tac)	182.91
Per diem (GAO rate for Spokane & Seattle)	Lunch (12/2, Spokane @ \$13); Dinner (12/2, Seattle @ \$31); Dinner (12/3, Seattle @ \$31)	75.00
Subtotal		\$541.47
Total Claim		\$2,941.47

This claim has been published to the Water Master's website and sent by e-mail to the principal parties. I have retained documentation of the expense.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this claim.

Sincerely,

/s/ *John E. Thorson*

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