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Ms. Molly C. Dwyer Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit 95 Seventh Street San Francisco, California 94103

Re: No. 18-71928

United States v. United States District Court for the District of Oregon

Dear Ms. Dwyer:

Pursuant to FRAP 28(j), Petitioners United States of America, et al. (the government) respectfully advise the Court of the attached order issued this evening by the district court in the underlying action. The order provides that "Oral Argument on the [government's] Motion for Summary Judgment shall be heard simultaneously with argument on the [government's] Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings," namely, on July 18, 2018.

The government's petition for mandamus advised this Court that the government had "filed a motion requesting that the district court also set argument on the motion for summary judgment for the July 18 hearing—a request that Plaintiffs have opposed," and that the district court had "not yet ruled on that request." Petition 13. By the attached order, the district court has now granted the government's request.

For the reasons explained in the petition, the government respectfully submits that this Court should direct the district court to dismiss this ill-conceived suit. If this Court were not immediately inclined to order such relief, however, the fact that both dispositive motions are now fully briefed and set for hearing on July 18 confirms that the Court should, at the very least, direct the district court (1) to stay discovery and trial—including production of the reports of the government's expert witnesses—while it resolves those dispositive motions and (2) to consider certifying for interlocutory appeal any rulings on those motions.

Sincerely,

s/ Eric Grant
Eric Grant

Counsel for Petitioners

cc: All counsel via CM/ECF

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