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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

BARK, an Oregon nonprofit corporation,

Case No.: CV-04-356-MO

Plaintiff,

**DECLARATION OF GREG DYSON** 

v.

UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE, an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture

Defendant.

I, Greg Dyson, state and declare as follows:

1. I am the founder, former Executive Director and former President of the Board of

Directors for Bark, a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization incorporated in Oregon. I was a member

and officer of Bark's Board of Directors at the time this case was filed. Bark is dedicated to

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preserving the forests, waters, and wildlife of Mt. Hood National Forest. I make this declaration in support of plaintiffs' application for fees and costs in this case.

2. At the time of the filing of the complaint in this case, Bark had a net worth of less than \$7,000,000 and had fewer than 500 employees.

3. I am familiar with public interest litigation and the relatively limited pool of qualified attorneys who undertake litigation against federal agencies such as the U.S. Forest Service. Bark could not have brought this case if we did not have the services of pro bono counsel. We have searched for qualified attorneys willing to represent us on this basis and were fortunate to find capable attorneys with the required expertise in federal environmental law. These attorneys provided top-notch legal representation that we could not have obtained from attorneys without that expertise and experience.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 2nd day of January, 2007 at Grants, New Mexico.

<u>s/ Greg Dyson</u> GREG DYSON, OSB #93156