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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

CIVIL NO. 3643

OF DEFENDANT ANSWER STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Barbara J. Anderson, et al., Defendants.

Comes now the Defendant, State of Washington, on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources and answers Plaintiff's amended complaint as follows:

I

Defendant realleges paragraphs I, II, III, V through XVII and its prayer for relief of its original Answer as Answer to Plaintiff's amended complaint and adopts such Answer by reference as part hereof.

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In answer to Plaintiff's paragraph IV Defendant admits that President Hayes signed the executive order on January 18,1881 as described therein but is without sufficient knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the information contained in the remaining allegations contained in said paragraph and therefor denies the same.

By way of FURTHER ANSWER and AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE, defendant alleges as follows:

III

The State of Washington alleges on information and belief it may own one or more sections of land lying within the Spokane Indian Reservation, as herein described by presidential order, namely sections 16 and 36 of each township heretofore classified as agricultural lands by the Secretary of the Interior pursuint to an Act of Congress of May 29, 1908 (35 Stat. 458) and that the granting of such lands carried with it full rights to the use of waters on or riparian thereto sufficient to the full utilization and enjoymant of such lands undiminished by the reservation of waters incident to the creation of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

DATED this 9th day of March, 1974

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