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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

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From: Peggy McCardle <pmccardle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 18, 2016 3:09 PM
To: (SUP) Clerk of Court Office
Subject: Emergency Waiver of Attorney Representation Rules

I am writing to request that you please grant the requested emergency waiver of attorney representation rules for NODAPL defendants. I feel it is very important to allow non-North Dakota attorneys to represent the NODAPL defendants. It would be a travesty of justice to allow the criminal prosecutions to go forward without assuring that each and every defendant is properly represented.

Overworked public defenders face a tremendous challenge in trying to represent their clients. In this highly charged and closely watched public atmosphere it is incumbent upon the North Dakota justice system to be fair and allow these defendants their rights to the best representation that many of these attorneys from across the country are willing to provide.

Your positive agreement to this emergency waiver is very much appreciated.
Sincerely,

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