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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

TERRANCE L. HALTIWANGER, No. CIV S-05-2509-GEB-CMK-P

Petitioner,

vs.

ORDER

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA IN THE COUNTY
OF BUTTE, et al.,

Respondents.

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Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, brings this petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Pending before the court is petitioner’s petition for a writ of habeas corpus (Doc. 1), filed on December 12, 2005. “A petitioner for habeas corpus relief must name the state officer having custody of him or her as the respondent to the petition.” Stanley v. California Supreme Court, 21 F.3d 359, 360 (9th Cir. 1994); see also Rule 2(a), Federal Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases. Because petitioner has not named the appropriate state officer, the petition must be dismissed with leave to amend to name the correct respondent. See Stanley, 21 F.3d at 360. Petitioner is warned that failure to comply with this order may result in the dismissal of this action. See Local Rule 11-110.

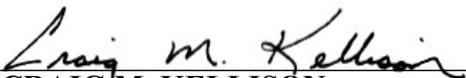
1 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

2 1. Petitioner's petition for writ of habeas corpus is dismissed with leave to
3 amend;

4 2. Petitioner shall file an amended petition on the form employed by this
5 court, and which names the proper respondent and states all claims and requests for relief, within
6 30 days of the date of this order; and

7 3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to send petitioner the court's form
8 habeas corpus application.

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10 DATED: January 3, 2006.

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13 **CRAIG M. KELLISON**
14 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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