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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
12 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

13 THE SIERRA CLUB and)
14 ENVIRONMENTAL INTEGRITY)
PROJECT,)
15 Plaintiffs,)
16 v.)
17 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION)
AGENCY,)
18 Defendant.)
19 _____)

No. C 09-5662 MEJ

JOINT MOTION TO BE EXCUSED
FROM THE FORMAL ADR PROCESS
and ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

20 Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled
21 “Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California,” or the specified portions of
22 the ADR Unit’s Internet site <www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov>, discussed the available dispute
23 resolution options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might
24 benefit from any of them.

25 Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be beneficial because
26 this action is limited to Plaintiffs’ request that the Court order Defendant to provide Plaintiffs with
27 the information it seeks. Defendant is in the process of releasing sought documents to Plaintiffs.
28 Given the substance of the action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR will only serve

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