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 14 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 15 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

16 CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY,
et al.,

Civil No. 03-5126-JL

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18 Plaintiffs,

19 vs.

20 GALE NORTON, Secretary of the
 Department of the Interior, et al.,

21 Defendants.
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**DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE
 A MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND
 REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A
 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

23 REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

24 The undersigned party in the above-captioned civil matter hereby declines to consent to
 25 the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and
 26 hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge.

1 Dated: February 4, 2004.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Declination to Proceed Before a Magistrate Judge was served, this 3rd day of February, 2004, via email through the Court's ECF electronic filing system and first class mail on the following counsel of record:

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