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May 18, 2006

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Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2363

Dear Ms. Bourque:

RE: *Great Lakes Exploration Group LLC v Unidentified, Wrecked Sailing Vessel*
Civil Action No. 1:04-CV-375

This letter is to take exception to the representations and the requests made by Mr. Robol on behalf of his client, Great Lakes Exploration Group, LLC, in his letter of May 17, 2006. Specifically, many issues divide the parties, even, apparently, Plaintiff's obligation to provide information concerning the precise location of the purported defendant, as declared by the court.

However, the Intervenor's filed a limited appearance and asserted their immunity, so that the only issue before the court at the present time is Intervenor's Renewed Motion to Dismiss for lack of jurisdiction.

There is no existing stay order to be lifted before the court can address that motion to dismiss. The only such order expired by its terms on November 18, 2006. According to the local court rules, Plaintiff was obliged to file its answer 28 days after the Intervenor's filed their Renewed Motion to Dismiss.

Negotiations and delays while Plaintiff excludes Intervenor's from proposed joint investigations do not foster joint investigation.

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Accordingly, Intervenor request the Court to set Intervenor's Renewed Motion to Dismiss for hearing at its earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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