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RE: Endangered Species Act Petition for Listing

Dear Chuck:

I just received your note and the FOIA materials from Interior this morning. I have not had a chance to look at them but will do so soon. After I have reviewed them I will give you a call to fill in any gaps in information.

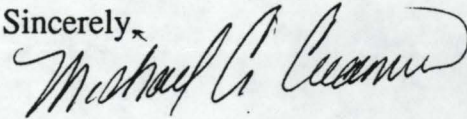
Assuming an adverse decision on the petition by Interior, I presume that any action which the Idaho Chapter might take would require approval from the national office of TWS. Please get in touch with me when you learn the results of the meeting in Washington, D.C. I think that once I've had a chance to review the materials and we know how they feel in Washington, we can make a decision on how to go forward and whether the letter you have proposed is best.

To confirm our understanding of several weeks ago, our firm has agreed to provide pro bono legal assistance to the Idaho Chapter of TWS in evaluating the options which they may have in obtaining listing of the Rocky Mountain Trumpeter Swan as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. The Wildlife Society would be responsible for any out of pocket expenses such as copying or filing fees which we might incur in this evaluation. If the Society were to decide to proceed with an administrative appeal or some other litigation, we could then get together to decide whether this firm would represent the Society in that matter and if so, we would discuss a fee arrangement for further services then. If TWS were successful in a legal action and received an award of attorney fees, we would expect to be reimbursed for our fees out of that award.

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I will be in touch with you in a day or two. Please call if you have any questions in the meantime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael C. Creamer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

Michael C. Creamer

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