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Hon. Judge Jordan,

Please be advised that, without waiving or relinquishing any legal rights, claims, or defenses in future proceedings, Sea Shepherd hereby withdraws the Initial Direct Testimony submitted by Brett Sommermeyer on May 20, 2019, in the above-referenced matter. This decision is made in the interest of procedural efficiency, in light of the fact that other witnesses for Sea Shepherd, the Animal Welfare Institute, and the Penninsula Citizens for the Protection of Whales have addressed, in whole or in part, a number of the topics Mr. Sommermeyer raised in his Initial Direct Testimony.

Respectfully,

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The wildlife and its habitat cannot speak, so we must and we will. – Theodore Roosevelt

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