IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

LAC COURTE OREILLES BAND OF
LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA INDIANS
OF WISCONSIN, RED CLIFF BAND OF
LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA INDIANS,
and SOKAOGON CHIPPEWA COMMUNITY
(MOLE LAKE BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR
CHIPPEWA INDIANS),

Plaintiffs,

ORDER

v.

02-C-553-C

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, THE HONORABLE GALE NORTON, Secretary of the Department of the Interior and JAMES H. McDIVITT, Deputy Assistant Secretary/Indian Affairs,

Defendants

and

STATE OF WISCONSIN and SCOTT McCALLUM, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,

Intervening Defendants.

Plaintiffs have filed an objection to Phillips Plastics Corporation's request to file an amicus curiae brief in this case. Having reviewed plaintiffs' objections, I am persuaded that

the amicus curiae brief would not be useful in this case and, in addition, would require the parties and the court to consider issues that have never been raised in the case.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Phillips Plastic Corporation to file an amicus curiae brief in this case is DENIED.

Entered this 19th day of December, 2002.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB District Judge