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RE: Threat of Criminal Prosecution

Dear Ms. Marten:

On January 24, 2008, the ANF law enforcement officer (Jason Haberberger) telephoned me. He indicated it would be necessary for him to commence criminal actions against me and other Duhring employees if his concerns were not met.

His concerns involved two items: a pipeline under Forest Road 148 and a Commercial Road Use payment.

I ask that you please provide me with the statute which authorizes Mr. Haberberger and other ANF personnel to threaten me and our employees with criminal sanction. This is the second such call from Mr. Haberberger; your District Rangers have also threatened criminal action.

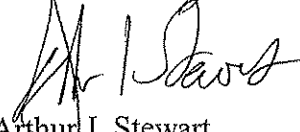
It is highly upsetting to receive these threats. Duhring is not a weekend camper subject to campsite regulations. Duhring co-owns property with the ANF, and in relation to Mr. Haberberger's concerns Duhring views itself as doing nothing more than using its property and voicing reasonable objections to road use fees unilaterally imposed by the ANF. We should be able to voice these concerns without the fear of suffering a federal criminal prosecution.

I have looked briefly and do find authority for federal employees such as Mr. Haberberger to threaten criminal actions in situations such as a camper who violates campground regulations. However, I do not readily find authority for criminal sanction against an owner such as Duhring.

If you can provide the citation to such authority, I intend to lobby Congress for change; I believe the threat to a co-owner is inequitable. The ANF has used Duhring's roads; Duhring requested payment from the ANF; no response was made to Duhring. Duhring has neither the power nor desire to threaten the ANF with criminal sanction for the ANF's failure to pay Duhring's road use fee.

I look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,



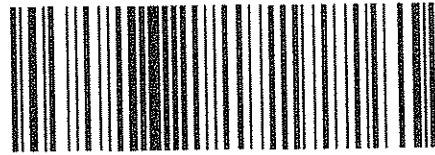
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