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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BUTTE DIVISION**

EVA LIGHTHISER; et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DONALD J. TRUMP, in his official
capacity as President of the United
States; et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:25-cv-00054-DLC

**MOTION TO INTERVENE AS
INTERVENOR-DEFENDANTS
BY STATE OF MONTANA, 18
OTHER STATES, AND ONE
TERRITORY**

COME NOW the State of Montana, by and through its Attorney
General Austin Knudsen, together with the States of Alaska, Arkansas,
Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri,

Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, West Virginia, and Wyoming and the U.S. Territory of Guam, by and through their respective Attorneys General (collectively, the “State Intervenors”), and hereby move this Court for an Order permitting the State Intervenors to intervene in this matter as Defendants. The State Intervenors submit this Motion pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 24 and Local Rule 24.1, seeking leave to intervene as of right under Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(a) or, in the alternative, permissive intervention under 24(b).

Pursuant to Local Rules 7.1(d)(1) and 24.1(b)(1)(B), the State Intervenors are filing an accompanying Brief in Support of this Motion. Upon intervention, the State Intervenors intend to file a Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs’ Complaint, submitted with this Motion pursuant to Local Rule 24.1(b)(1)(C).

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(c)(1), State Intervenors have conferred with the parties. Plaintiffs plan to take a position after reviewing the State Intervenors’ papers. The United States takes no position on this Motion.

WHEREFORE, the State Intervenors respectfully request that the Court grant them leave to intervene in this matter as Intervenor-Defendants.

Dated: July 8, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify that, on July 8, 2025, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be submitted to the Clerk of Court for filing in accordance with Local Rule 24.1(a), which electronic filing by the Clerk will cause the service of the foregoing upon all parties who have entered in the case.

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