

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 90-229 (Erie)
)	
ROBERT BRACE,)	
ROBERT BRACE FARMS, Inc.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

**UNITED STATES’ MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY IN
SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

On October 1, 2017, the United States filed a Motion for a Protective Order, ECF No. 168, and supporting memorandum, ECF No. 169, seeking an order from this Court barring Defendants from seeking certain discovery in this matter. On October 11, 2017, Defendants filed their Brief in Opposition to United States’ Motion for a Protective Order, ECF No. 179. Now, pursuant to Section II.B of this Court’s Practices and Procedures that indicate that “[r]eply briefs are generally permitted,” the Unites States files this motion for leave to file a brief, 10-page reply in support of its motion for a protective order.¹

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ The United States’ proposed reply is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

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