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8 IN THE TRIBAL COURT FOR THE CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBE

9 (Adopted By General Order 2020-05)

10 PLAINTIFF: _____ Case No.:

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12 DEFENDANT: _____ SMALL CLAIMS RESPONSE FORM
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15 Pursuant to Section 1.060 of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe Small Claims Ordinance
16 (“Ordinance”), you are a party to the above-referenced case. Please find enclosed a copy of the
17 original Small Claims Application Form. You must fill out the Response Form and if applicable,
18 the Counterclaim Form. Under Section 1.030 of the Ordinance, the Chemehuevi Tribal Court has
19 jurisdiction over all small claims matters.
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21 All Parties:

22 Read this form and all pages attached to understand the claim against you and protect
23 your rights.
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25 Defendant:

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- 27 • You must fill out and return this Response Form. You may request a hearing, if you
28 choose. You may also submit a counterclaim using the enclosed Counterclaim Form.

1 • If you fail to pay the claim, demand a hearing or show up for the hearing, the Clerk shall
2 enter a **default judgment** against you for the relief claimed, plus the amount of the small
3 claims filing fees and service expenses paid by the plaintiff.
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5 • Please check the following *one* that applies:

6 I dispute the small claims petition and **I request a hearing but not a counterclaim.**

7 I dispute the small claims petition and **I request a hearing and a counterclaim.**

8 (fill out the attached Counterclaim Form).

9 I admit to the claim. I agree to pay the plaintiff the amount of the filing fees and
10 service expenses paid by the plaintiff, plus:

11 a. The amount of the claim or providing proof of such payment to the Court;

12 b. Delivering the property in dispute to the plaintiff and, if applicable, an amount of
13 money equaling the value of the loss or damage to the property, and mailing or
14 providing proof of delivery to the court, or;

15 c. Completing performance of the promised service(s) and mailing or providing proof of
16 performance to the Court.
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20 Defendant Affidavit

21 I, _____, have filed this Response Form. I declare under penalty
22 of perjury under the laws of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe and the State of California that the
23 foregoing is true and correct.
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25 _____
26 Signature of Defendant

27 _____
28 Date

(FOR COURT USE ONLY)

VERIFICATION OF SMALL CLAIMS RESPONSE FORM

THE COURT CLERK ATTESTS TO THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Defendant submitted a claim in the form prescribed by the Court. I have verified and filed the claim.
- B. Defendant signed the Response Form declaring under penalty of perjury under the laws of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
- C. I mailed the Response Form by certified mail to Plaintiff's last known address.

CLERK OF THE TRIBAL COURT