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STATE OF MONTANA
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PERSONNEL APPEALS

PIONEER SPECIAL SERVICES, MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO, Petitioner, -vs- DEER LODGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Employer, and MONTANA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION and its affiliate, DEER LODGE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, Bargaining Agent	UD 9-79

MOTION TO ADD MONTANA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AS A PARTY

The Montana Education Association, on behalf of its affiliate, the Deer Lodge Education Association, has participated in this matter and should be named as a party.

The Association is the recognized bargaining agent for the professional employees of the Employer, Deer Lodge Elementary School District No. 1. On March 12, 1979 Petitioner sought a unit of some seven employees of the School District. A hearing was held on June 27, 1979, at which time the Association was represented by staff member Owen Nelson. Petitioner objected to the presence of the Association representative, the objection was overruled by the hearing examiner, and Mr. Nelson participated in the hearing.

The hearing examiner found 1) the requested unit not appropriate and 2) the requested unit would be a partial decertification of an existing unit and recommended dismissal of the petition. Petitioner has filed exceptions and appealed to the full Board of Personnel Appeals.

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