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VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF AN UNUSUAL RECORD

1. Species: PHILADELPHIA VIREO Vireo philadelphicus 2. Number: 1
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)
3. Location: Gunnison, CO., 5 mi. NE near Gunnison R.
4. Date(s): August 18, 1972 5. Time bird seen: 1 pm to _____
6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern. (Describe in great detail all parts of the plumage including beak and feet coloration in addition to the diagnostic characteristics; however, include only what actually was seen in the field):

Size and shape of warbling vireo. Underparts yellow, lacking white belly of yellow-throated vireo, familiar to me in New England; no eye-ring; no wing-bars; upperparts about olive-green. Vireo-like bill with curved culmen distinctly noted; higher than warbler bill.
7. Description of voice, if heard:
8. Description of behavior: Vireo-like, deliberate; very unlike the nervous, quick motions of warblers.
9. Habitat--general: bush at edge of woods.
specific:
10. Similarly appearing species which are eliminated 6, 7 and 8 above; Explain:
Other vireos; am familiar with all other vireos of U. S. north of the extreme south.
11. Distance (how measured?): 30' from kitchen window
12. Optical equipment: 7x 50 glass
13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and observer):
Sun on bird, at my back
14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species: My first Phila. Vireo; know all others n. of 35°; have collected most.
15. What made you think this species was unusual or rare? Experience
16. Other observers:
17. Did others agree with your identification?
18. Other observers who independently identified this bird:
19. Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation: Standard texts, manuals, field guides
20. If bird was photographed, please attach pictures and describe equipment used:
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Signature
Date Prepared: 12/31/72 City and State: _____

(USE THE REVERSE, OR ADDITIONAL PAGES, IF NECESSARY)