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RE: Revisions to Federal Acknowledgment Regulations

Dear Mrs. Appel:

After reading and discussing the proposed draft changes to the Federal Acknowledgement process, I would encourage the Secretary to implement the proposed underlined changes as they are necessary to repair the constitutionally required relationship between the United States and American Indian tribes. There must be increased transparency in the regulatory process and clarification of the regulations to remove ambiguity.

Thank you for addressing this challenging problem which has plagued the FAP process.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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United States House of Representatives Committee on Natural Resources
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Sally Jewell, Secretary United States Department of the Interior
Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs
Lee Fleming, Director of Office of Federal Acknowledgment
United Cherokee Ani-Yun-WiYa Nation