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Cherokee's of Lawrence County, TN
Sugar Creek Band of the SECCI
c/o Joe Harlan White "Sitting Owl"
Council Elder
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Mr. Kevin Grover
Secretary
Bureau of Indian Affairs
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Washington, D.C. 20240

Osiyo Mr. Grover,

In the light of last week's statement that The BIA has changed it's evil ways, we The Cherokee's of Lawrence County, TN, Sugar Creek Band of the SECCI do formally present our petition for Federal acknowledgement under Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 83 (25CFR Part 83) including the changes that you said are in process.

We are still in the process of developing additional evidence, and will periodically submit attachments to this document.

Please note that this is the same document submitted to The State of Tennessee (TCIA). The notarized document is still in effect for The TCIA and for your purposes.

We presently have over 150 members, and 50 members are also members of The SECCI within the past 10 months. Presently we are only a "band in formation" to the SECCI. Any prior dealings with the SECCI by the BIA has no effect on us and our group.

We, The Council, do affirm that all the documentation submitted here in, or in the future is true to the best of our knowledge.

Wado, Joe Harlan White
"Sitting Owl"
Council Elder

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 11th day of September. 2000 in Lawrenceburg, Lawrence County, Tennessee

Cynthia J. Grannon
My Commission Expires 6-05-20[illegible]

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