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[LETTER REQUESTING INFORMED PARTY STATUS]

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs Attn: Office of Federal Acknowledgment Mailstop MS-34B-SIB 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs:

This letter formally requests that [I / WE / ORGANIZATION NAME] be granted "informed party" status as you review the acknowledgment petition for Petitioner # [NUMBER OF PETITIONER] ([NAME OF PETITIONER]).

Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 83, *Procedures for Establishing That an American Indian Group Exists as an Indian Tribe* (25 CFR Part 83), states:

Informed party means any person or organization, other than an interested party, who requests an opportunity to submit comments or evidence or to be kept informed of general actions regarding a specific petitioner.

Please add the following contact information to your files and send copies of documents describing general actions regarding this petitioner to:

[CONTACT NAME] [STREET ADDRESS] [CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE] [FAX NUMBER] [PHONE NUMBER]

Sincerely,
[signature [Position title: print name]
 Date