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Mr. Alan Russell P.O. Box 111 Kent, Connecticut 06757

Dear Mr. Russell:

As required by the Department of the Interior's (DOI) Federal acknowledgment regulations, Part 83 of Title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations (25 CFR Part 83) at §83.22(a), the Office of Federal Acknowledgment (OFA) is notifying the group known as the "Schaghticoke Indian Tribe" (SIT) of the receipt of its documented petition.

On January 6, 2022, OFA received certification for two previous submissions which were received on December 30, 2020, and July 1, 2021, respectively. The Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs deemed these two submissions together to be SIT's official documented petition.

Pursuant to §83.22, by March 7, 2022, OFA will publish notice of the receipt of the documented petition in the *Federal Register*, publish petition-related items on its website, and notify, in writing, those listed under §83.22(b)(2).

If you have any questions concerning the Federal acknowledgment process, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, MS-4071B-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240, or call (202) 513-7650.

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgement

cc: Mr. Michael Anderson Mr. William Buchanan