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Dear Ms. Martin:

By letter of November 14, 2013, we notified you that the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (Assistant Secretary) set a new deadline and expected to issue a Proposed Finding on the Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation (Petitioner #82) on or before January 10, 2014.

Due to several other Federal acknowledgment decisions about to be issued, the Department of the Interior has yet to complete its review on the recommendation for the Southern Sierra Miwuk Proposed Finding.

We need to inform you that the Assistant Secretary has extended the deadline for this review. Under the regulations, 25 CFR Part 83, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion under § 83.10(h) to extend the period for the issuance of the Proposed Finding. Therefore, the new deadline for issuing the Proposed Finding is on or before Thursday, May 1, 2014.

This letter notifies you and interested parties of this time extension. Your continued understanding in this important matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

(sgd) R. Lee Fleming

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Interested Parties  
Informed Parties