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Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, Mr. R. Lee Fleming, Director, 1951 Constitution Avenue, N.W., MS-34B-SIB, Washington, D.C. 20240, or call (202) 513-7630.

Mr. Anthony Rivera, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Rivera:

Thank you for your letter of April 10, 2009, regarding a request for an extension of the 60-day response period for third party comments for the group known as the Juaneño Band of Mission Indians - Acjachemen Nation (Petitioner #84A). The Office of Federal Acknowledgment (OFA) received this letter April 10, 2009.

Your letter included, in addition to the request for the 60-day extension, an inventory of the third party comments you had received as of March 13, 2009, the end of the comment period. It is the responsibility of third parties to provide copies of their comments to the petitioner. Notwithstanding the fact that certain interested parties indicated on the face of their submission that it was provided to you, your inventory does not include all such submissions. To remedy this discrepancy, find enclosed copies of comments sent to OFA that are not included in your inventory, but which the parties are willing to attest were mailed to you. In addition, one interested party did not provide you with its supporting documentation, but did provide you its narrative. The exhibits to the James P. Lynch narrative, on behalf of the California Cities of Self-Reliance, Joint Powers Authority, are enclosed.

Please also find enclosed unsolicited materials submitted to OFA while the petition was under "Active Consideration," and which were not considered as evidence for the proposed finding (PF) in accord with the March 31, 2005, Federal Register notice, "Office of Federal Acknowledgment; Reports and Guidance Documents: Availability, etc." These materials, while not comments on the PF will be considered by OFA in the preparation of the final determination.

In your letter, you requested an extension of 60 days in order to respond to third party comments. Under 83.10(k), the Department has considered your request and Mr. George Skibine, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Economic Development, Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, has approved your extension request of 60 days. Therefore, the new date for the end of the response period will be July 13, 2009. This extension will also apply to a group known as the Juaneño Band of Mission Indians Petitioner #84B.