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Alturas Indian Rancheria  
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RE: Seizure of Tribal Government Records Pursuant to  
Criminal Investigation #BGC-RE2008-00057


To Whom It May Concern:

On April 9, 2009, the California Department of Justice, Bureau of Gambling Control (Bureau) issued a letter to Mr. Darren Rose, at his request, explaining the situation and status surrounding the Bureau's seizure of Tribal government records by the Bureau pursuant to a court ordered search warrant. It has been brought to our attention that the letter from April 9, 2009, is being interpreted and utilized to represent an official position held by the Bureau regarding the recognition of Tribal leadership.

The Bureau is writing this letter to clarify that the Bureau does not have authority or jurisdiction over the composition of Tribal membership, the leadership of Tribal governments, or internal Tribal membership disputes. Accordingly, the Bureau does not take any position with respect to those issues as they pertain to your Tribal government.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the above telephone number.

Sincerely,

  
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For EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
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