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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

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Ms. Cheryl Schmit P.O. Box 355 Penryn, California 95663

BIA- 2014-00918

Dear Ms. Schmit:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 5 U.S.C. § 552, request dated April 23, 2014, requesting the following:

We request copies of any correspondence sent from the Scotts Valley Tribe to the Office of Indian Gaming Management, and/or its gaming investors/developers/ management contractors as notification of termination of its business relationship to construct a casino in the County of Contra Costa, California, near the City of Richmond. Relationships on file with the NIGC and BIA include Mr. Alan Ginsberg and the Seminole Tribe both domiciled in the State of Florida.

We have classified your request as an "other-use" request. As an other-use requester, you are entitled to receive 2 hours of search time and 100 pages of duplication of responsive records without charge before being asked to pay for document search and reproduction. However, the Department of the Interior does not bill for FOIA fees when they do not exceed \$50.00. *See* 43 CFR § 2.49 (a). The fee incurred in responding to your request did not exceed \$50.00 and has been waived.

Your request was received in the Office of Indian Gaming for processing on April 23, 2014, and assigned Request No. BIA-2014-00918. Please reference this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

With respect to your request:

We have examined the files under our jurisdiction carefully, and found no agency records concerning correspondence from the Scotts Valley Tribe to the Office of Indian Gaming Management, and/or its gaming investors/developers/management contractors as notification of termination of its business relationship to construct a casino in the County of Contra Costa California, near the City of Richmond.

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For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV, 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

Sincerely,

Paula L. Hart Director, Office of Indian Gaming