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Dear Tribal Leader,

Thank you for participating in the November 5, 2021 briefing with the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) on the COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS). The Department's briefing was our first opportunity to provide information about the ETS and we appreciate the feedback you submitted. As promised, OSHA decided not to enforce the ETS at worksites owned by Tribes until it consulted with Tribal leaders and received your input on the applicability and implications of the ETS. This letter serves as notification that OSHA will host a virtual Tribal consultation session on the ETS via Zoom on January 19, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Please use this <u>link</u> to register for the consultation session.

The Department and OSHA are committed to implementing Executive Order 13175 and the January 26, 2021 Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships and we look forward to engaging with you during this session. In addition, attendees are encouraged to review the ETS, which also serves as a proposed rule, in advance of the consultation session. Text can be found at https://www.osha.gov/coronavirus/ets2. Because this rulemaking is in an active comment period, DOL will be recording comments about the ETS and placing them in the docket. We also encourage you to submit comments through the docket, at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/OSHA-2021-0007. Comments are due January 19, 2022.

If you have question about the Department's Tribal consultation, please contact me directly at <u>Lujan.Theresa@dol.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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