## UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 77-16

## SOLICITERS OPINION: EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

WHEREAS: The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have placed their land

in trust with the government of the United States, and

WHEREAS: The government of the United States, through the Department

> of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, have charged the Superintendent of the BIA, Cherokee Agency with the responsibility for the codes and regulations which are to be enforced by the BIA through the Eastern Band of Cherokee

Indians, on the boundary, and

WHEREAS: The State of North Carolina acting through the counties has

established codes and regulations infringing upon the rights

and duties of the BIA and the Eastern Band, and

WHEREAS: These infringements not only create difficulties for the members

of the Eastern Band, but also reduce the efficiency of services

to those members, and

WHEREAS: The continued requirement that the Eastern Band rely upon the

inefficient services of the ocunties, not the least of which is, the requirement that a county electrical inspector inspect all electrical installations on the boundary in spite of the existing local ability to perform that service properly and

with efficiency.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., Executive

Committee, at which a quorum is present, that: U.S.E.T., Inc. go on record supporting Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and encourage the United States Solicitors office to give an opinion as to the legality of the state involvement in such inspection, and subsequent to the receipt of that opinion, will establish by Resolution, the mechanism for effecting electrical inspections

on the Boundary, by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

## CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Executive Board of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Nashville, Tn. on September 8, 1977, the above resolution was duly adopted.

President, Johnathan Taylor

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