

## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 99:19

## IHS-NASHVILLE AREA OFFICE BUDGET INFORMATION REQUEST

- WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising twenty-three (23) federally recognized tribes; and
- WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes leadership; and
- WHEREAS, each of the USET member tribes administers health programs for the benefit of their tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the USET member tribes strive to operate their health programs under the highest possible standards by efficiently and effectively utilizing available funds; and
- WHEREAS, the national IHS budget, as well as the IHS-Nashville Area Office Budget is an integral component of the USET member tribes ability to operate their health programs; and
- WHEREAS, the IHS-Nashville Area Office is required to consult with tribes on matters that affect them directly or indirectly; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors requests individual tribal share tables be provided to each member tribe no later than two weeks prior to the FY2001 budget consultation session which is scheduled for March 22-23, 1999; and be it further
- **RESOLVED** the requested tribal share tables address IHS Headquarters <u>and</u> Area shares, as well as shares which are identified for "Inherent Federal Functions" and/or considered to be non-compactable/contractable and/or non-divisible, and thus are not subject to contract/compact by a tribe or tribal organization; and be it further
- **RESOLVED** the requested share tables should be no different than what each tribe would receive during compact negotiations in order to facilitate a productive meeting; and be it further
- **RESOLVED** all additional budget information regarding the National IHS budget be provided in accordance with the two week timeline, as set forth above; and finally be it
- **RESOLVED** the decision to contract or compact programs under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Act (P.L. 93-638) still remains an individual tribal decision and the request of tribal share tables, in this instance, in no way suggests any tribes desire to contract or compact additional programs at this time.

## CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, DC on Thursday, February 4, 1999)

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly Wright, Secretary

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