



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2004:044

CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR USET ENVIRONMENTAL LIAISON POSITION FOR FY 2005

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-four (24) 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,** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 is currently funding an environmental liaison function with the USET organization, said function benefiting all member tribes for FY 2004, in the areas of technical assistance, analysis of pending legislation and proposed regulation, preparation of strategic plans and grant work plans, advice and support in preparing Tribal/EPA environmental agreements, formation of ad hoc consortia of tribes to jointly address environmental problems, and in general supporting the work of the Regional Tribal Operations Committees; and
- WHEREAS,** USET Tribes makeup EPA Regions 1, 2,4 and 6, and support the Environmental Liaison position for FY 2005; and
- WHEREAS,** USET desires to identify and secure funding for the continuation of this important function into the future; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors approves a grant proposal and application to EPA Headquarters for a portion of the General Assistance Program Grant (GAP) funds in the National Director's discretionary fund for FY 2005; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors calls for EPA Headquarters to assist in future and continued funding of the environmental liaison function in order to reach long-term tribal environmental initiatives.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 5, 2004.

Keller George, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly M. Wright, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.