NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE

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, the Tribal Emergency Services Committee members have recognized the need for a unified command system during emergency incidents; and

WHEREAS, to achieve a unified command system during emergency incidents requires compliance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

WHEREAS, compliance with the NIMS program will allow tribal entities to obtain continued federal grant funds and/or reimbursement for disaster planning, deployment, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Emergency Services Committee recommends that all USET member Tribes take appropriate measures to implement the NIMS program in order to achieve compliance with the terms set forth, which include compliance by the federally established deadline; therefore be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors approves and supports the Tribal Emergency Services Committee's recommendation that all USET member Tribes respond appropriately to implement NIMS.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 9, 2006.

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

Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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