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Dear Tribal Leader:

I welcome this opportunity to provide information about the \$3.5 million in 2009 Recovery Act funds the IHS is allocating for Tribes and Tribal organizations to develop interfaces that will enable non-Resource and Patient Management System users to electronically report data to the Indian Health Service (IHS). The maximum amount for any project will be \$100,000, and those interested in receiving these funds must submit the enclosed project application to the IHS Office of Information Technology by end of business April 30, 2010. Applications will be rated based on the enclosed criteria, and applicants will be notified of funding decisions by May 21, 2010.

The IHS will fund projects according to Title I and Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistant Act. Therefore, it is necessary that those receiving awards submit a signed addendum ensuring that Tribal contracts conform to provisions of the Recovery Act (addendum enclosed). For these requirements and for reports about how IHS will distribute these funds, please refer to the IHS Recovery Act Web site: http://www.ihs.gov/recovery/index.cfm?module=dsp_arra_reporting.

Management Analyst Lisa DeCora, IHS Office of Information Technology, is available to answer any questions or provide additional information. Ms. DeCora may be contacted at (907) 729-1311 or Lisa.DeCora@ihs.gov.

Thank you for your time. I trust this information is helpful.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures