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May 16, 2023

SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

The Honorable Thomas Wooten Tribal Chairman Samish Indian Nation PO Box 217 Anacortes, WA 98221-0217

Dear Chairman Wooten:

Subject: Review of Annual Performance Report for Program Year Ended December 31, 2022

Indian Housing Block Grant – American Rescue Plan Act (IHBG-ARP)

Grant Number: 21AH5313870

The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), at Section 404, as amended, applies to IHBG-ARP and requires the Department of Housing and Urban Development to assess, at least annually, each recipient's performance under the Act. This letter is to inform Samish Indian Nation (Tribe) that HUD has completed the review of the Tribe's IHBG-ARP Annual Performance Report (APR) for the program year ended *December 31*, 2022. The review was designed to evaluate the APR and provide comments to recipients on data quality and overall performance. The following performance measures were considered:

Whether the Tribe:

- carried out its eligible activities in a timely manner;
- carried out its eligible activities and certifications in accordance with the requirements and the primary objectives of NAHASDA and with other applicable laws;
- has continuing capacity to carry out activities;
- complied with the IHBG-ARP Indian Housing Plan (IHBG-ARP IHP); and
- submitted an accurate IHBG-ARP APR.

Note: If the APR is complete and NO comments are offered, use the sample paragraph below:

The Northwest Office of Native American Programs' (NwONAP) review was limited to an examination of the IHBG-ARP APR submission and information readily available and would not necessarily disclose all deficiencies or matters of noncompliance. NwONAP's review disclosed that the APR is complete, and the Tribe has complied with the IHBG-ARP IHP in carrying out its eligible activities in a timely manner. The review did not disclose any deficiencies or noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations; therefore, NwONAP offers no recommendations.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda O'Rourke, ARP Grants Evaluation - Management Specialist, at 206-220-5236 or by e-mail at Linda.A.Orourke@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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