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March 27, 2015

The Honorable Jacqueline Baalam, First Chief  
Birch Creek Tribe  
3202 Shell St.  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

RE: FY 2016 Population Determination

Dear Ms. Baalam,

The Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA) reviewed the census documentation for Birch Creek as received on March 18, 2015. You requested that the July 1, 2014 population count of 22, as estimated by the State Demographer at Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, be adjusted to 26 based on the census you conducted on March 18, 2015.

We have determined that the census was conducted in accordance with DCRA procedures and agree with your population count of 26 persons. Consequently, the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development will use a population figure of 26 for Birch Creek in FY2016 financial assistance programs.

If you have any questions about procedures used in making this determination, please contact Manjula Boyina, Research Analyst IV, at (907)269-7959.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "Katherine Eldemar", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Katherine Eldemar  
Director

cc: Manjula Boyina, DCRA RA IV  
Lawrence Blood, DCRA, LGS V