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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Tribal Operations

Honorable Robert Chicks
Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council
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Bowler, Wisconsin 54416

Dear President Chicks:

On March 29, 2006, we received a proposed amendment to the Forestry Ordinance (Chapter 22) and the corresponding resolution for review and approval pursuant to Article VII, Section 1(f) of the Constitution and By-laws of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. The documents were submitted by letter of March 24, 2006. We have completed our review.

Specifically, the package included Resolution 021-06, Chapter 22 – Stockbridge-Munsee Community Forest Resources Regulations. Overall, the ordinance appears satisfactory. However, our review indicates that Section 22.6 (Issuance of Permits) may conflict with 25 CFR §163.26(a). In order to be valid, many timber cutting permits require Secretarial approval. As a result, approval of this ordinance does not include Section 22.6 (Issuance of Permits). Approval is provided for the remainder of the Forest Resources Regulations Ordinance pursuant to Article VII, Section 1(f) of the Constitution and By-laws of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community and pursuant to authority delegated to me in 209 DM 8, 230 DM 1, 3 IAM 4, and Release F00 03-01 dated May 2, 2003.

Enclosed is a copy of the Indian Forest Management Handbook for Permit Sales of Forest Products for your review. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Gerald Walhovd, Agency Forester; or Sherrel LaPointe in Tribal Operations at (715) 682-4527.

Sincerely,

Diane K. Rose
Superintendent

Enclosure

cc: Forestry – GLA
Tribal Operations, MRO

Exhibit
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