(i) Previous experience in administering public funds under DOL or similar administrative requirements—15 points.

(ii) Experience of senior management staff to be responsible for DOL grant, if designated—5 points.

VI. Notification of Designation/ Nondesignation

The Grant Officer will make the final designation decision giving consideration to the review panel's recommendation, in those instances where a panel is convened; input from DINAP, OSTP, Office of Program and Fiscal Intergity, and Office of the Inspector General; and any other available information regarding the organizations's responsibiltiy. The Grant Officer's decisions will be provided to all applicants by March 1, as follows:

(1) *Designation Letter:* The designation letter signed by the Grant Officer will serve as official notice of an organization's designation. The letter will include the service area for which the designation is made. It should be noted that the Grant Officer is not required to adhere to the geographic area requested in the final Notice of Intent. The Grant Officer may make the designation applicable to all of the area requested, a portion of the area requested, or, if acceptable to the designee, more than the area requested.

(2) *Conditional Designation Letter.* Conditional designations will include the nature of the conditions, the actions required to be finally designated and the time frame for such actions to be accomplished.

(3) *Non-designation Letter.* Any organization not designated in whole or in part, for an area requested will be notified formally of the non-designation and given the basic reasons for the determination. An applicant for designation which is refused such designation, in whole or in part, may file a Petition for Reconsideration in accordance with 20 CFR 632.13. If an area is not designated for service through the foregoing process, alternative arrangements for service will be made in accordance with 20 CFR 632.12.

VII. Special Designation Situations

(1) Alaskan Native Entities

DOL has established service areas for Alaskan Native employment and training programs based on the boundaries of the regions defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA); the boundaries of major subregional areas where the primary provider of human resource development and related services is an Indian Reorganization Act (IRA)-recognized tribal council; and the boundaries of the one Federal reservation in the State. Within these established service areas, DOL has designated the primary Alaskan Native-controlled human resource developoment services provider or an entity formally designated by such provider. These entities have been regional nonprofit corporations, associated corporations established by the regional nonprofit corporation, IRA-recognized tribal councils and the tribal government of the Metlakatla Indian Community. DOL intends to follow these principles in designating Native American grantees in Alaska for Program Years 1987 and 1988.

(2) Oklahoma Indians

DOL has established a service delivery system for Indian employment and training programs in Oklahoma based on a preference for Oklahoma Indians to serve portions of the State. Generally, service areas have been designated geographically as countywide areas. Where a significant portion of the land area of an individual county lies within the traditional jurisdiction of more than one tribal government, the service area to a certain extent has been subdivided on the basis of tribal identification information in the most recent Federal Decennial Census of Population. However, where members of many different tribes reside in a given county, no attempt has been made to apportion those members among all of the respective tribes. Wherever possible, arrangement mutually satisfactory to grantees in adjoining or overlapping service areas have been honored by DOL. DOL intends to follow these principles in designating Native American grantees in Oklahoma for Program Years 1987 and 1988. The DOL will exercise its designation authority in a way that will preserve the continuity of services and will prevent the undue fragmentation of existing services areas.

VII. Designation Process Glossary

In order to ensure that all interested parties have the same understanding of the process, the following are definitions for important terms:

(1) *Indian or Native American-controlled Organization.* Any organization with a governing board, more than 50 percent of whose members are Indian or Native American people. Such an organization can be a trible government, Native Alaskan or Native Hawaiian entity, consortium, private nonprofit corporation, or State agency, as long as decisions regarding the program rest with such a governing board.

(2) *Service Area.* The geographic area described as States, counties, and/or reservations for which a designation is made. In some cases, it will also show the specific population to be served. The service area is defined finally by the Grant Officer in the formal designation letter. Grantees must insure that all eligible population members have equitable access to services within the service area.

(3) *Established Service Area.* The area defined by geography or service population which DOL has previously designated as a service area for Indian and Native American CETA or JTPA purposes.

(4) Community Support

Evidence of active participation and/or endorsement from Indian or Native American-controlled organizations within the geographic area for which designation is requested. Applicants should provide supporting documentation regarding the nature of such organizations, *e.g.*, articles of incorporation or charter, size, membership, duration, etc.

While applicants are not precluded from submitting attestations of support from individuals, the business community, State and local government offices, and community organizations that are not Indian or Native American-controlled, they should be aware that such endorsements do not meet DOL's definitional criteria for community support.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 13th day of June, 1986.

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