Dear Tribal Leader,

On March 10, 2021, the U.S. Department of the Treasury (“Treasury”) announced the launch of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act. The initiative provides $20 billion in emergency funding for Tribal governments to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery in Indian Country.

As indicated in the May 10, 2021 Dear Tribal Leader letter, eligible Tribal governments will receive two separate payments once required information is submitted in the Treasury Submissions Portal.

Over the past two weeks, Treasury has received many requests from Tribal leaders to extend the deadline for submitting required information for the two payments. In particular, Tribal governments requested additional time to address technical challenges or connectivity issues impacting their ability to request funds for the first payment in the Treasury Submissions Portal.

Treasury has made the determination to extend the deadline for requesting funds in the Treasury Submission Portal for the first payment from Monday, May 24, 2021 to June 7, 2021, 11:59 PST. Additionally, because of this first extension, Treasury has also made the determination to extend the second deadline for confirming 2019 employment numbers in the Treasury Submissions Portal for the second payment from June 7, 2021 to June 21, 2021, 11:59 PST.

While the deadline for the first payment has been extended to June 7, 2021, we encourage Tribal governments to request their funds in the Treasury Submission Portal right away. After the first submissions of information, the first payment will be distributed 4-5 days after submission to assist you in addressing the economic and public health impacts in your Tribal community.

Treasury will host a 30-minute briefing today at 3:00 ET for Tribal leaders to provide an update on the extension of the deadlines and what to expect over the next several weeks. You may attend this briefing via this Zoom link, or you may dial in +16692545252,,1606278276# US (San Jose) or +16468287666,,1606278276# US (New York) meeting ID: 160 627 8276,

For additional information, please visit Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and Tribal Governments.

If you have questions about Treasury’s Submission Portal or for technical support, please email covidreliefsupport@treasury.gov. If you have general questions about the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds please email SLFRP@treasury.gov or call 844-529-9527. Please reach out to Treasury Tribal Affairs at Tribal.Consult@treasury.gov should you have any other questions.

We look forward to continuing to support Tribal governments with the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program.

Sincerely,
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