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FROM: Ronald S. James, Employee and Labor Relations Officer
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SUBJECT: Review of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between USDA,
FS and NFFE-Forest Service Council regarding the use of the Satellite
Emergency Notification Device (SEND), executed 9/18/2012

Mr. Tidwell:

On behalf of the Secretary of Agriculture and in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 7114(c), the subject MOU executed on September 18, 2012 has undergone Agency Head Review. After review of the negotiated provisions, the Department finds them to be consistent with current applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Therefore, the MOU submitted by the parties for Agency Head Review is approved.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Agency Head Review was served on this day, September 19, 2012, to the following parties regarding the SEND MOU between the USDA Forest Service and NFFE-Forest Service Council:

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