

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**Extension of Master Agreement Expiration Date**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is between USDA – Forest Service (Management) and the National Federation of Federal Employees, Forest Service Council (Union), hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”.

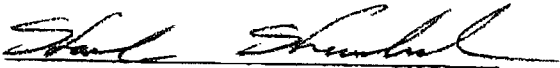
The purpose of this MOU is to document the agreed upon terms for the annual renewal of the Master Agreement per Article 2.2.a. The Master Agreement expiration date is currently set for June 2, 2008. The Parties agree that neither Party will notify the other that it wishes to modify this Agreement prior to June 2, 2008. Therefore, the Parties agree that the Agreement will automatically renew itself for two years on the day after the anniversary of the expiration date. The new expiration date for the contract is June 2, 2010.

The Parties agree to this extension with the understanding that any provision(s) of the Master Agreement that may come into conflict with government-wide rule or regulation after the renewal date of June 2, 2008, will be subject to the mid-term bargaining provisions of Article 11.

All existing MOU's negotiated mid-term will also remain in effect, unless other terms for expiration are specifically identified in the individual MOU's.

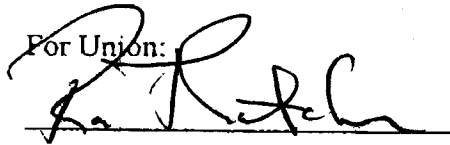
This MOU will remain in effect until June 2, 2010, unless reopened by mutual consent.

For Management:



Date: 10/11/07

For Union:



Date: 10-10-07