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Dear Mr. Belcourt:

The Executive Director of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board recommended that I send you a copy of background material regarding myself since I have been nominated for the Directorship of the Indian Health Service. The same material has been forwarded to Mr. Andrew Lorentine. My cover letter to him is enclosed.

As I stated in Mr. Lorentine's letter, the Alaska Health Corporations and Health Board nominated me for the Director of the Indian Health Service to the Clinton-Gore Political Transition Team several weeks ago. Since then, I have had to send material to the Team. The All Indian Pueblo Council of New Mexico has endorsed my nomination by Resolution and my home pueblo, Laguna Pueblo, NM, is in the process of also endorsing my nomination by Resolution. The Governor of New Mexico has requested material from me. The NW Portland Area Health Board is considering my nomination. The Kootenai Tribe in northern Idaho has just passed a Resolution supporting my nomination. Respective Congressional/Senate state representatives have been contacted by the tribal delegations. I have enclosed for your information, Senator Jeff Bingaman's February 2, 1993 letter to President Bill Clinton regarding his recommendation of me for the IHS Directorship.

I am presently the Area Chief Medical Officer for the Portland Area, IHS. I have held other management/administrative and clinical positions nationwide in the IHS and other agencies of the U.S. Public Health Service. I have had experience from the local service unit/tribal level to Headquarters and Regional Office programs. I have worked with urban and rural health care clinics and agencies, as well as, with local, state and other federal agencies. I have worked with diverse populations and ethnic groups under varying programs and resources. However, the majority of my career has been in the IHS. I have worked with the majority of senior IHS clinical and administrative staff in varying capacities.

I summarized my background in my letter to Mr. Lorentine. I have enclosed two copies of my resume for your use. I will gladly