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Paul Shullenberger
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Dear Mr. Shullenberger:

RE: NOMINATION OF BRENDA ST. GERMAINE

I do not personally know Brenda St. Germaine nor do I know of her work. However, I will say that the description of the project she is involved in would not in my view qualify her for a fellowship. There are others in Indian Country who are doing much more innovative work on sustainable and small scale economic development projects - Rebecca Adamson, Dagmar Thorpe, Dalee Sambo, Lionel Bourdeaux at Sinte Gleska College and others are further along in the development of a Native owned economy.

This is my own view. Certainly you should check with others who may have a difference perspective.

Since we have become pen pals of sorts, I am enclosing a copy of my recent book.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Wilma P. Mankiller
Principal Chief

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Enclosure