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Native American Contractors Association comment on SBA release of Draft Regulations

Washington, DC – October 28, 2009 – The Native American Contractors Association is pleased to see the draft regulations the Small Business Administration (SBA) is proposing for the 8(a) program, which the SBA developed after formal consultation with the Native community. The draft regulations are broad and address a wide range of issues across the 8(a) program.

Sarah Lukin, Executive Director of the Native American Contractors Association, stated that “NACA and the Native community look forward to working positively with the SBA and urge the SBA to hold a series of Tribal consultations with the Native community on any proposed regulations that will impact our Native Enterprises.” Lukin continued, “At the end of the day NACA and the Native community may not agree with all of the draft regulations, but we do appreciate the SBA’s positive efforts to engage the Native community in this process.” The Native American Contractors Association also hopes Congress allows the SBA and the Native community to review, make changes if necessary, and implement the new regulations before any additional attempts at legislative reforms occur.