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To: Bob Miller

The attached papers are referred for the purpose indicated by the check:

- ☐ Please advise.
- ☐ Please answer, sending me copy of your response.
- ☐ Please see me about this.
- ☐ Please prepare a reply for County Executive Owens' signature.
- ☒ Please take charge of this.
- ☐ To be signed.
- ☐ Please take charge and report disposition.
- ☐ Your comments please.
- ☐ FYI

Remarks:

cc: Joe Rutter ✓
Betty Dixon

WAYNE T. GILCHREST

1st District, Maryland

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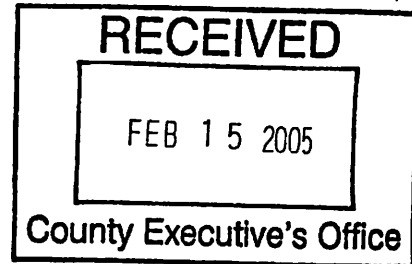
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February 10, 2005

Executive Janet S. Owens
Anne Arundel County Executive
Arundel Center
P.O. Box 2700
Annapolis, MD 21404



Dear Janet:

I have now received a response to my inquiry on your behalf, and I am enclosing a copy of this reply for your information and review.

As the enclosed correspondence indicates, a final decision has not yet been reached regarding the creation of a rubble landfill in Odenton. I was informed verbally that a decision will be reached any day. As soon as I have any further information, I will be sure to share it with you. I apologize for how long it has taken to receive a response from the Bureau for Indian Affairs.

As always, I am pleased to be of assistance, and trust you will not hesitate to contact me whenever I may be of service.

Sincerely,

Wayne T. Gilchrest
Member of Congress

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enclosure



Real Estate Services

JAN 10 2005

Honorable Wayne T. Gilchrest
United States House of Representatives
2245 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gilchrest:

Thank you for your letter of April 29, 2004, regarding your concern over the proposed fee-to-trust land acquisition of the Delaware Nation of Oklahoma for land in Odenton, Maryland. The proposed acquisition is for the purpose of creating a rubble landfill. While supporting tribal economic development and self-determination efforts are top priorities for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, we are also bound to consider the impacts of proposed economic development projects upon the environment and the surrounding community.

The decision whether or not to accept property in the State of Maryland in trust for the benefit of the Delaware Nation will be made using the fee-to-trust land acquisition regulations of 25 CFR 151. These regulations ensure that environmental issues and the concerns of the local community are included in the review process. Our review of the request and supporting documentation is nearing completion with a decision to follow soon thereafter. Your concerns and those of your constituents will be fully considered prior to making that decision.

If you have further questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Randall Trickey, Realty Officer, at (615) 467-1576.

Sincerely,

Robert K. Impson

Acting Director, Eastern Region