TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE LETTER NO.  28-06

TO:  ALL INDIAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN GRANTEES

FROM:  EMILY STOVER DeROCCO
        Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT:  Native American Employment and Training Council Call for Nominations

1. **Purpose.** To request Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Section 166 grantees to submit nominations for consideration by the Secretary of Labor for appointment to fill expiring terms of membership on the Native American Employment and Training Council (Council).

2. **Reference.** WIA Section 166 (h)(4) and 41 CFR §102-3.30 (c)

3. **Background.** The current Council Charter was renewed for two years, effective June 24, 2005. The charter provides for approximately twenty-one members appointed for two years by the Secretary of Labor. Appointments for the following nine members will expire on October 14, 2007:

   REGION I, BOSTON (includes ME, VT, NY, NH, MA, RI, CT, NJ, and PR)
   Ms. Janice Falcone

   REGION III, ATLANTA (includes KY, NC, TN, MS, AL, SC, GA, and FL)
   Ms. Kimlyn Lambert

   HAWAII
   Ms. Winona Whitman

RESOLUTIONS
None

EXPIRATION DATE: 45 Calendar Days after Date on this TEGL
OTHER DISCIPLINE
Ms. Charlanne J. Quinto, M.E.
Mr. James Crawford
Mr. Urban L. Giff
Mr. Leo Cummings
Ms. M.J. Longley, Ed.D.
Mr. Terry Martin

In reference to the “Other Discipline” memberships, the Federal Advisory Committee Act regulations (41 CFR), at §102-3.30 (c), require advisory committees to have a balanced membership, regarding points-of-view represented and the functions to be performed. Factors to be considered in achieving such a membership include the committee’s mission and the geographic, ethnic, social, economic, or scientific impact of the committee’s recommendations. Perspectives may be those of consumers, technical experts, the public at-large, academia, or business or other sectors.

Within this framework, and in addition to the regional representation, it is permissible for the composition of the Council to include individuals with certain expertise to assist in accomplishing its mission. These individuals, as are all members of the Council, must be representatives of Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, Alaska Native entities, Indian-controlled organizations serving Indians, or Native Hawaiian organizations. In nominating Other Discipline representatives, the factors described above must be considered.

4. **Action.** The Secretary of Labor may consider nominations for appointment to the Council as submitted by the grantee communities. All members listed above are still eligible for nomination. The Employment and training Administration will accept nominations electronically submitted to the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Craig Lewis, at lewis.craig@dol.gov or by fax at (202) 693-3817. Nominations may also be mailed to:

   U.S. Department of Labor
   Indian and Native American Program
   Employment and Training Administration
   200 Constitution Avenue, NW
   Room S-4209
   Washington, D.C. 20210
   Attention: Mr. Craig Lewis, DFO
   Phone: (202) 693-3384

   All nominations must be submitted **(U.S. Postmarked or electronically dated)**
(e-mail) no later than forty-five calendar days, excluding any Federal holidays, from the date of this guidance. Submit Council nominations on the attached form. Nominations may also be sent by commercial carrier to the above address.

Grantee (including those designated as Public Law 102-477) representatives in Regions I, III, and Hawaii may submit nominations for expiring memberships in their areas only.

Indian tribes and Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian organizations that do not administer a Section 166 grant may submit nominations. Public Law 102-477 grantee representatives are eligible for appointment to the Council. Self-nominations will be accepted.

In submitting nominations, consider the availability of the nominee to attend and actively participate in Council meetings (a minimum of two meetings annually), serve on Council workgroups, and provide feedback to the grantee community. Communication between the Council member and his or her constituency is essential to the partnership between the Employment and Training Administration and the Indian and Native American community.

5. **Inquiries.** Contact Craig Lewis, DFO, at (202) 693-3384.

6. **Attachments.** Council Nomination Form
NATIVE AMERICAN EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COUNCIL

NOMINATION FORM

Please complete the nomination form and return to the Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, Indian and Native American Programs postmarked no later than forty-five calendar days from the date on this guidance.

NOMINATIONS

REGION I MEMBER: ____________________________ Term expires 10/14/09

(Only Region I grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

REGION III MEMBER: ____________________________ Term expires 10/14/09

(Only Region III grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

HAWAIIAN MEMBER: ____________________________ Term expires 10/14/09

(Only Hawaiian organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

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*All grantees and organizations may nominate for these appointments.

GRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS: