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**MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Revised Review of Authorities Available for Tribal Program Financial Assistance Awards

FROM: Elizabeth Craig *ecraig*  
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TO: Air Division Directors, Regions 1- 2, and 4 – 10

I am pleased to distribute the amended version of the attached document "Review of Authorities Available for Tribal Program Financial Assistance Awards". This supersedes the document I sent on April 19, 2002. The document has been updated with information on the available authorities: the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program (commonly known as GAP), Clean Air Act (CAA) Sections 103 and 105, Performance Partnership Grants, and Direct Implementation Tribal Cooperative Agreements (DITCA).

The document incorporates new guidelines for making decisions on when to transition from CAA §103 grant authority to CAA §105 grant authority, and incorporates a discussion on flexibility in awarding §105 grants to eligible tribes through the grants process. These new guidelines were developed by a workgroup led by Regions 10 and 5 and represent a nationally consistent approach to making these decisions.

This document was reviewed by the Regions, OGC, AIEO and OAR. Regions should begin to utilize this guidance upon receipt of this document.

Please contact Darrel Harmon at 202-564-7416 if you have any questions.

Attachment

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