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Ms. Sandra Chapman  
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Dear Ms. Chapman:

Thank you for the letter dated March 27, 2023, from your attorney of record, Mr. Stephen V. Quesenberry, regarding the Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation (SSM) petitioner. The Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA) received this letter on April 13, 2023.

On behalf of the SSM petitioner, Mr. Quesenberry is requesting an extension of the comment period on the proposed finding (PF) regarding the SSM's petition for Federal acknowledgment.

Upon review of the extension request, the AS-IA has found good cause to grant an additional 180-day extension of the comment period. Comments are due now on or before Monday, November 6, 2023. This letter notifies SSM and interested and informed parties of this extension.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment at 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4071-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Mr. Stephen V. Quesenberry  
Interested and Informed Parties