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Chief Melvin Beaver  
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Dear Chief Beaver:

As you are aware, Cabinet approved the new Historic Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE) Shortfall Validation Criteria in April 1998.

As a result of this new policy your TLE claim has been reassessed, and I am pleased to inform you that Canada will accept your claim for negotiation on the basis that there is a TLE shortfall.

One of the department's negotiators will contact you shortly, concerning the particulars of the negotiation of your claim. In the meantime, should you have any questions please contact Ms. Anne-Marie Robinson, at (819) 953-1987.

I wish you the best in the upcoming negotiation regarding your TLE claim.

Yours sincerely,

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