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Executive Council of the Central Council  
TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 24-133

Title: Authorization to Enter into a Standard Service Agreement with DOWL, a Professional Services Firm

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 37,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article X of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida operates Tidal Network, which provides broadband infrastructure and services to rural and underserved communities in Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Tidal Network's operation in constructing towers requires environmental and cultural regulatory services to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); and

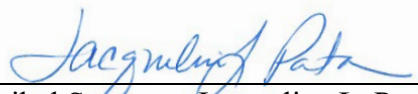
WHEREAS, DOWL is a multi-discipline consulting firm with expertise in environmental and cultural compliance, permitting, and construction-related services that are critical to supporting Tidal Network's environmentally focused broadband projects; and

WHEREAS, DOWL's team includes experts who offer a unique combination of services tailored to broadband infrastructure projects under the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and execution of environmental and cultural compliance in regions of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida, through funding and budgeting provided by the NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program (TBCP) grant awarded in November 2023, plans to contract DOWL to complete 50 environmental site scrubs, 15 Categorical Exceptions, and 10 Environmental Assessments according to NEPA and NHPA regulations, totaling \$1,588,650;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required to enter into a standard service agreement with DOWL for environmental and cultural compliance services using National Telecommunications and Information Administration funds.

ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

**CERTIFY**  
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President Richard J. Peterson**ATTEST**  
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Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata