Committee: Resource/Rules

Date: <u>1-10-12</u> Committee Date: <u>1-16-12</u>

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**RESOLUTION NO. 17-12** 

## COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CHEROKEE NATION AND THE TULSA DISTRICT, UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government in behalf of the Cherokee people;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation encourages economic development and acknowledges renewable energy resources are necessary to prevent land and air pollution as an alternative to the use of fossil fuels, as well as a part of a solution toward sustainability;

WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation Businesses is engaged in an endeavor related to the construction of a hydroelectric facility at the W.D. Mayo dam site, which may include operation of the facility and hydroelectric power marketing ("W.D. Mayo Project");

WHEREAS, it is in the interests of the Cherokee Nation to engage the United States Army Corps of Engineers to provide specialized services related to the W.D. Mayo Project, including the provision of data for and the review of the Nation's fixed bed navigation study model, assistance in site access and security controls, technical coordination, general administrative support, and project management for identified tasks, as more specifically described in an Interagency Agreement to be authorized by a Memorandum of Agreement between the Cherokee Nation and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

WHEREAS, funding for the services to be rendered by the United States Army Corps of Engineers under the Interagency Agreement and Memorandum of Agreement related to the W.D. Mayo Project has been provided by the United States Department of the Interior.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Cherokee Nation a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and such Interagency Agreements negotiated in accordance with said Memorandum of Agreement related to the W.D. Mayo Project, provided that funding is available and included in an appropriate budget authorized by the Council, including without limitation the Interagency Agreement related to the services described herein.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the  $\underline{16^{th}}$  day of January, 2012, having  $\underline{16}$  members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of  $\underline{15}$  yea;  $\underline{1}$  nay;  $\underline{0}$  abstaining.

Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

**ATTEST:** 

Don Garvin, Secretary

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 18th day of January, 2012.

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Charles Head, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

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**Returned to Presenter:** 

# Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

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TITLE:	W.D. Mayo Hydroe Interagency Agreeme		roject, Memorandum of Agreement and	
DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Marguerite McKinney, CNB				
RESOLI	UTION PRESEN	TER:	Susan Work, Senior Assistant Attorney General	
		Don Ga	rvin, Cara Cowan, Janelle Fullbright,	
COUNC	IL SPONSOR:	David T	hornton, Meredith Frailey	

### **NARRATIVE:**

CNB has completed several phases of the W.D. Mayo Hydroelectric Project, and is currently working on Phase V of the Project. DOI has awarded funding to the Nation for certain phases of the Project, including Phase V. CNB wishes to use certain services of the United States Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") for the Project. In order to utilize USACE services, a Memorandum of Agreement between USACE and the Cherokee Nation is needed, as well as more detailed Interagency Agreements describing the scope of services to be provided and charges for services to be rendered for various Project purposes.

See enclosed draft Memorandum of Agreement and attached draft Interagency Agreement for additional information.