

September 30, 2019

Roger Longtoe Sheehan Sagamo (Chief) and Tribal Headquarters Elnu Abenaki Tribe 5243 VT Route 30 Jamaica, VT 05343

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Don Stevens, Chief Nulhegan Abenaki Tribe 156 Bacon Drive Shelburne, VT 05482

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cc: W. Irwin, VT Department of Health

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