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Port Madison Enterprises Director Joins National Board

Human Resource Director of Suquamish business appointed to NNAHRA Board of Directors

SUQUAMISH, WA – October 13, 2012 Port Madison Enterprises (PME) Human Resource Director Barbara Griffin has been appointed to the National Native American Human Resources Association (NNAHRA) Board of Directors.

The appointment comes after Griffin was voted in to serve a two-year term during the organization's annual conference in September. "I am excited and honored to serve on the NNAHRA Board of Directors. It gives me another venue to be creative and make a difference in the organization," said Griffin.

During her term, Griffin plans to work with other board members to streamline conference training and certification courses for organization members, including the popular NNAHRA Tribal Human Resources Professional Certification course (THRP)- a program designed to provide human resource professionals with knowledge about the topics, issues, laws and regulations unique to tribal organizations and enterprises.

Spearheading Human Resource initiatives in Indian Country is not new to Griffin, who has more than 9 years of experience directing Human Resources for both Gaming and Non-Gaming Tribal business ventures. As Human Resource Director at PME, Griffin has created several comprehensive development, training and benefit programs- including the first college accredited certificate course for tribal enterprises on the Kitsap Peninsula in Western Washington.

Griffin holds certificates in HR Management from San Diego State University, National Native American HR Association and the Society of HR Management. She is a 2011 Washington State Indian Gaming Conference speaker alumni and spends much of her free time promoting and fundraising for the Susan G Komen 3-Day for the Cure.

NNAHRA is a non-profit organization comprised of Human Resources professionals working for, or providing professional services to Tribes. In addition to holding annual conferences, the organization provides certification and training courses for Human Resource professionals working in both tribal governments and businesses throughout the nation. The NNAHRA Board of Directors consists of 7 members, elected by the membership during the organization's annual conference in staggered terms. For more information about NNAHRA visit www.nnahra.com

Port Madison Enterprises is agency of the Suquamish Tribe that develops community resources while promoting the economic and social welfare of the Tribe through commercial activities. For more information on Griffin, Port Madison Enterprises and the Suquamish Tribe, visit www.portmadisonenterprises.com

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