

MEDIA ALERT

National American Indian Housing Council
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‘Ask the Indian Housing Experts’ Teleconference: Nov. 29

—In Recognition of Native American Heritage Month, NAIHC Experts to Take Media Questions Regarding Legislative Priorities and the Housing Need in Indian Country

What: Teleconference News Briefing with experts from the **National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC)**.

Who: Available **NAIHC** experts are scheduled to include Chairman **Marty Shuravloff** (also Executive Director of the Kodiak Island Housing Authority in Alaska), Acting Executive Director **Dennis Daniels** (formerly of HUD’s Office of Native American Programs), Field Services Director **Luke Toyebo**, and Office of Governmental Affairs Director **Wendy Helgemo**.

When: Wednesday, **November 29, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. EST. (NEWS MEDIA ONLY PLEASE. Call 5-10 minutes in advance of the teleconference.)** Please contact Kim Hayes to register and obtain the teleconference phone number, (202) 454-0931 or khayes@naihc.net.

- 2:30 Welcome (Jane DeMarines, External Relations & Communications Director)
- 2:35 Brief Statements from NAIHC Directors
- 2:45 Questions and Answers

Why: As the nation celebrates **Native American Heritage Month this November**, **NAIHC** seeks to highlight the progress that has been made in Indian housing and the challenges that lie ahead.

This briefing is intended to be an open forum for media to ask questions and get information on topics such as:

- **Indian Housing Appropriations**
- **Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act Reauthorization**
- **Indian Housing Progress**
- **Economic Development and Infrastructure in Indian Country**
- **NAIHC’s Training and Technical Assistance**
- **Methamphetamine and the Impact on Indian Housing**

MEDIA REGISTRATION

News media are welcome to participate in this teleconference. **Please register in advance to get speaker bios and other information.** For media registration, contact: Kim Hayes, (202) 454-0931; Cell: (202) 536-7983 or e-mail: khayes@naihc.net.

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