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Mr. Jesse Thompson  
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors  
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Dear Messrs. Thompson and Payette:

This refers to the 2001 redistricting plan; the creation, elimination, and realignment of voting precincts; and the polling place changes for Navajo County, Arizona, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submissions on April 4 and 19, 2002; supplemental information was received through May 28, 2002.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. In addition, as authorized by Section 5, we reserve the right to reexamine these submissions if additional information that would otherwise require an objection comes to our attention during the remainder of the sixty-day review period. See the Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 (28 C.F.R. 51.41 and 51.43).

Sincerely,

Joseph D. Rich  
Chief, Voting Section

Enclosure