# Amendment to the Child Support Agreement between the Shoalwater Bay Tribe and the State of Washington, Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Child Support

Whereas the Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe (herein after referred to as "the Tribe"), and the State of Washington, Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Child Support (herein after referred to as "DCS"), entered into a Child Support Agreement in March of 2007; and

Whereas the Tribe and DCS desire to work together to promote the well being of the Tribe's children; and

Whereas the Tribe and DCS wish to further clarify case management protocols, the parties agree to the following changes to the March 2007 Agreement:

- 1. Page 1, Purpose, first sentence: Replace the word "is" with "may be".
- 2. Page 2, Article I, first sentence: Replace the word "shall" with the word "may."
- 3. Page 3, Article III, first sentence: Replace "DCS" with "any state or tribal child support agencies."

#### 4. Addendum A, below Implementation Provisions, add:

The Tribe's Department of Social Services will serve as the responsible tribal agency for child support issues, and the Director of Social Services or designee will serve as the DCS contact on child support issues involving the Tribe's members or employees. The DCS Tribal Team (currently the Tribal Team in the Olympia Field Office) will serve as the responsible state agency, and DCS Tribal Liaisons or the Tribal Team Supervisor serve as the point of contact for the Tribe. As agreed by both parties, the Tribe and DCS will jointly conduct outreach and provide resource information on child support services to the tribal community.

#### 5. Addendum A, Section II:

- a) First sentence: Replace "shall" with "may."
- b) In 1: Delete "from the State of Washington" and following "the custodian has requested child support enforcement services form DCS", add "or DCS received a foster care or medical referral on behalf of the child."

## 6. Addendum A, Section III, at the end of this section, add:

In lieu of issuing a write of garnishment, the Tribe may have the non-custodial parent sign a voluntary wage assignment.

### 7. Addendum A, Section VIII:

In the first sentence, following "custodian:" add "amount of current support, arrears debt,"

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