

# FIRST NATIONS SUMMIT

## RESOLUTION #1104.12

**SUBJECT: ENDORSEMENT OF CRITERIA TO SELECT A COMMUNITY CLUSTER FOR THE FULLY INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES COMMUNITY ("FIT COMMUNITY") PROOF OF CONCEPT PROJECT**

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### WHEREAS

- A. By Resolution #0602.12, the First Nations Summit Chiefs in Assembly established the First Nations Technology Council (FNTC). The mandate of the FNTC is to develop a Technology Plan for First Nations in BC which would address technology issues, including high speed internet connection, technology skills development, and development of technical support.
- B. In order to develop a Technology Plan that is achievable, secures the support of both levels of government and the private sector, and can be used as a model for other communities in the province, the FNTC is proposing to lead a proof of concept project to be known as the Fully Integrated Technologies (FIT) Community Project in a Community Cluster of at least four (4), but not more than eight (8), communities located in the same geographical region.
- C. The FNTC would work closely with, and take the lead from, the FIT Community Project Team, which will be made up of representatives of the communities included in the Community Cluster.

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the First Nations Summit Chiefs in Assembly endorse the attached criteria as the means of selecting the Fully Integrated Technologies (FIT) Community Cluster.

**MOVED BY:** Chief Darren Blaney, Homalco First Nation

**SECONDED BY:** Robert Hill, Tsimshian Tribal Council

**DATED:** November 25, 2004

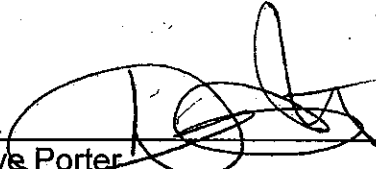
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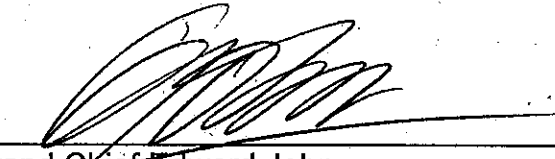
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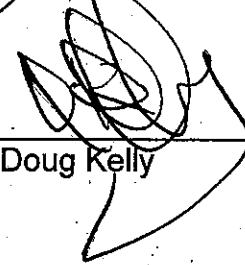
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ENDORSED BY:

  
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Dave Porter

  
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Grand Chief Edward John

  
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Chief Doug Kelly



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The Cluster should be able to demonstrate readiness to participate in the project by meeting most, if not all, of the following:

- a) the Cluster should have (or soon have) at least a Point of Presence for high speed internet access in each community,
- b) the Cluster should be ready to articulate a vision of what technology can bring to their communities,
- c) there must be at least one existing Community Champion in the Cluster,
- d) the Community Champion needs support of its Chief and Council for committing the time and resources required to make the Project a success,
- e) the Cluster must demonstrate that member communities have begun making the investment in technology infrastructure and skills development (or have developed a plan) needed to make the Project a success,
- f) the Community Champion(s) should be prepared to assume the role of solution integrator,
- g) the region in which the selected Cluster is located must have some documented innovative planning in place to adopt technology for health, education and/or economic development,
- h) the Cluster should be prepared to 'twin' with other communities to benefit and learn from already developed Policies/Procedures/Agreements, and
- i) the Cluster should be prepared to act as a mentor to other communities to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and experience gained from working on the FIT Community Project.