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Dr. Judith Swift
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Dear Dr. Swift:

Please consider this our formal letter of interest and find attached our application to join the North Atlantic Coast CESU as a new partner institution/organization.

We confirm that our leadership has read the CESU agreement and agrees to support the CESU mission and goals and fulfill the roles and responsibilities of a nonfederal partner, as described in the CESU agreement.

As a nonprofit organization partnered with, and located within, Acadia National Park, we can play a significant role in support of the north Atlantic region and its parks, and provide unique resources and services as a CESU member. We hope to become a valuable partner to URI as CESU host, and to all other partners and member agencies.

We congratulate you on your ongoing success as an innovation in collaboration that brings research, technical assistance, and education to federal partners on a regional scale.

We look forward to your decision on our application.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Soukup".

Michael Soukup, Ph.D.
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