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Dear «SALUTATION» «LAST_NAME»:

The Census Bureau is beginning the Voting District Project (VTDP) Verification, part of Phase 2 of the 2020 Census Redistricting Data Program, with the delivery of the enclosed materials. With this correspondence, you are receiving several items:

- Geographic Update Partnership Software (GUPS) Installer Disc
- Your State's Data Disc(s) (state/county TIGER/Line shapefiles and digital VTDP user guides)
- A printed VTDP GUPS Participant Guide and Addendum
- A printed VTDP User Supplied "Non-GUPS" GIS Participant Guide and Addendum

Our staff will conduct a VTDP Verification webinar focused on using GUPS on January XX, 2019 from 2- 4 PM EST. Staff will walk through the major features and applications of GUPS and its verification tools and entertain questions on its use. Prior to this training, it is highly recommended that you install the GUPS tool and review the GUPS Participant Guides. This will provide you with a strong platform for the training. If possible, please RSVP to rdo@census.gov for the webinar with a headcount. This is to ensure we have enough capacity for all interested participants.

The Phase 2 materials are also available on our Redistricting Data Program website at https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/rdo/program-management.html

The voting districts supplied and verified by you to the Census Bureau will not be included in the official TIGER/Line product until we produce the 2020 Census geography in late 2020/early 2021. The boundaries of the voting districts you provide will all be held as block boundaries during that official release.

This collection is voluntary. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call (301-763-4039) or email my office at <u>rdo@census.gov</u>. We look forward to working with you on this important project.

Sincerely,

James Whitehorne Chief - Census Redistricting & Voting Rights Data Office

Enclosures CC We estimate that the verification process will take a total of 217 hours on average per participant. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to rdo@census.gov. This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight digit OMB approval number that appears at the upper left of the letter confirms this approval. If this number were not displayed, we could not conduct this survey. The Census Bureau conducts this program under the legal authority of the Title 13 United States Code (U.S.C.), Sections 16, 141, and 193.