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May 13, 2009

Mayor Kathy Taylor  
City of Tulsa  
200 Civic Center  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

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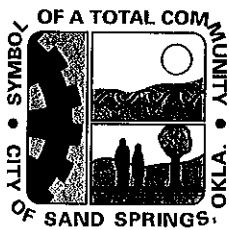
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City of Owasso  
PO Box 180  
Owasso, Ok 74055-0180

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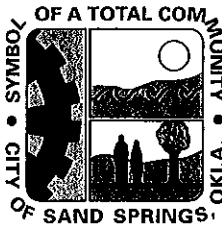
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PO Box 180  
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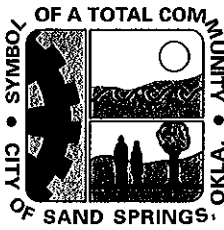
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City of Jenks  
P.O. Box 2007  
Jenks, OK 74037-2007

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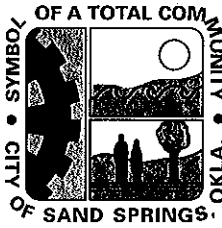
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P.O. Box 2007  
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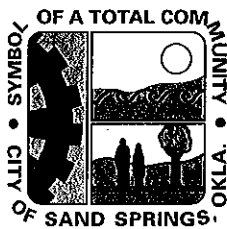
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City of Bixby  
P.O. Box 70  
Bixby, OK 74008

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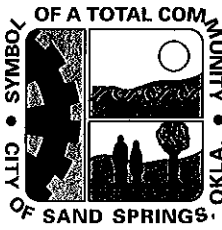
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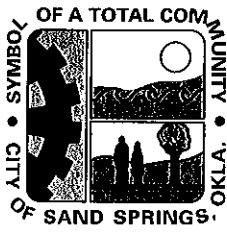
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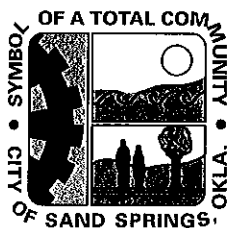
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