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Prof. Philip Gibbard  
Secretary-General, International Commission on Stratigraphy (IUGS)

Dear Prof. Gibbard.

I am pleased to inform you that the IUGS Executive Committee has voted unanimously to ratify the proposals for the Greenlandian, Northgrippian, and Meghalayan stages of the Holocene Series, for the corresponding Lower Holocene, Middle Holocene, and Upper Holocene subseries, and for the GSSPs of the Northgrippian and Meghalayan stages as approved by the International Commission on Stratigraphy and forwarded to the IUGS EC on 31 May 2018.

Congratulations to the International Commission on Stratigraphy. Also please send congratulations from the IUGS EC to Prof. Martin Head, Chair of the International Subcommission on Quaternary Stratigraphy, and to Prof. Mike Walker, who led the working group and is the lead author on the ratified GSSP proposals.

Sincerely,

Stanley C. Finney  
Secretary General of IUGS