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National Indian Gaming Commission named one of the Best Places to Work in Government

WASHINGTON, April 9, 2013 – The National Indian Gaming Commission was recognized as one of the best places to work in the federal government among very small agencies in a survey by the <u>Partnership for Public Service</u>, a nonprofit, non-partisan organization. This ranking, which places NIGC in the number 11 spot, reflects the Commission's highest results since the index was developed.

"This is a remarkable achievement that speaks volumes about the dedication of our employees," said Chairwoman Tracie Stevens. "Our staff is committed to NIGC's mission of maintaining the integrity of the Indian gaming industry and promoting tribal economic development, self-sufficiency and strong tribal governments."

The rankings are based on responses from nearly 700,000 federal workers and include 362 federal agencies and subcomponents. Agencies with less than 100 employees are classified as very small. According to Office of Personnel Management there are 111 very small federal agencies. The <u>Best Places to Work in Federal Government</u> rankings are based on data from OPM's annual Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey conducted from April through June 2012. To be included in the list an agency must have a 50-percent or greater response rate.

Agencies are ranked in 10 workplace categories, including leadership, work/life balance, training and development, diversity and teamwork. This is the seventh edition of the Best Places to Work rankings since the first in 2003.

The National Indian Gaming Commission is committed to the prompt and efficient regulation of the Indian gaming industry, which spans more than 420 gaming establishments, associated with nearly 240 tribes across 28 states. The Commission's dedication to compliance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act ensures the integrity of the \$27 billion Indian gaming industry. For more information, visit www.nigc.gov.

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The National Indian Gaming Commission is an independent regulatory agency established within the Department of the Interior pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1998.

The 12 Best Very Small Agencies to Work For in Government

Best Places to Work scores for the very small federal agencies with fewer than 100 permanent full-time employees.

Rank	Agency	2012 Index Score
1	Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation	90.1
2	U.S. Trade and Development Agency	79.5
3	Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board	76.3
4	Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission	74.1
5	National Capital Planning Commission	67.9
6	Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars	64.4
7	Office of Government Ethics	63.2
8	Postal Regulatory Commission	60.4
9	Institute of Museum and Library Services	56.8
10	Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board	54.2
11	National Indian Gaming Commission	45.9
12	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts	39.4