

To: Who it may concern

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Ref: Comments on Class II Classification Standards

From: Troy Evans

Hello. My name is Troy Evans and I live in Wetumpka, Al. The Poarch Band of Creek Indians built a casino in our city. The casino is in a residential community in which kids play, families live and daycares are operated. The Poarch Band of Creek Indians is now attempting to enlarge their operation. They are building a multi million-dollar facility that will be operated by Harrah's Casino. This is by no means a Bingo hall. Call it what you will, but a slot machine is a slot machine. The citizens of Alabama just a few years ago voted down a bill that would have established an education lottery. If Alabama does not wish to have gambling in our state to support or schools certainly we do not want gambling that only supports one sections of the community. The Governors Office will not negotiate a compact with the tribe. If you change your regulations this will correctly reclassify the slot machine as Class III gaming machines. Please close this loop-hole and help us keep gambling out of our state. The Indian community is important to our town. Our city's name is derived from an Indian word meaning rumbling waters. Most citizens of Wetumpka can trace their heritage back to certain Indian tribes. It is not the Poarch Creek Indians we have a problem with. We just feel like they are forcing their gaming operations upon us no matter how much we protest. Help us keep our small town and our small town values from being taken over by Las Vegas operated casinos. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Troy Evans