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Honorable Darrell Wadena
Chairman, White Earth Reservation
Business Committee
P.O. Box 418
White Earth, Minnesota 56591

Dear Chairman Wadena:

We are in receipt of the tribal-state compact for the control of Class III video games of chance concluded between the White Earth Band of Chippewa and the State of Minnesota, accompanied by the requisite tribal resolution authorizing the compact process. Pursuant to my delegated authority and Section 11 of the Gaming Act, we approve the compact.

The compact shall take effect upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER of notice of our approval pursuant to Section 11(d)(3)(B).

Section 11(d), (25 U.S.C. 2710) of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, (P.L. 100-497; 25 U.S.C. 2710 et seq.), requires the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission to approve tribal resolutions authorizing Class III gaming. However, the Commission does not yet have final regulations governing such approvals.

We wish the Tribe and the State success in this economic endeavor.

Sincerely,

/S/ David J. Matheson

Acting Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Identical letter to: Honorable Arne H. Carlson
Governor of Minnesota
130 State Capital
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

cc: Minneapolis Area Office with copy of approved compact
Minnesota Agency Superintendent with copy of approved compact
National Indian Gaming Commission with copy of approved compact
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