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As a participant in the NIGC trainings, I attended the tribal consultations in Billings. I have never been present for these before, and I was unclear if comments were welcome from the general public or if only tribal leaders were to speak.

I would like to offer my thumbs up on the idea of suspending 542 regulations. I believe the biggest drawback to the guidance offered by

these MICS is the lack of nimbleness in updating them. New technology is hard to keep up with under the best of circumstances. If this suspension

would make the NIGC quicker to adapt standards and guidance, I see it as a positive change.

A speaker for the Ho Chunk Nation expressed his concern that the MICS would be dropped which would cause possible problems for some

tribes' compact negotiations, which I can understand. But it sounds as though a suspension would bridge that gap. I would not want to see the MICS become obsolete or neglected.

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