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RE: Lac Vieux Desert Gaming Commission Amendment

Dear Mr. Finch

This letter responds to your request to the National Indian Gaming Commission ("NIGC") for review of the Lac Vieux Desert Gaming Commission's Amendment ("Amendment") to the Lac Vieux Desert Gaming Code received on May 6, 2003, and passed by Joint Resolution #2003-041 on July 31, 2003. This letter constitutes approval of your submission under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

Thank you for submitting this Amendment to your gaming code. The NIGC staff and I look forward to working with you and the Lac Vieux Desert Band on future gaming issues. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Ms. Frances Fragua at 202-632-7003.

Sincerely,

Philip N. Hogen

Chairman

cc: Richard McGeshick Sr., Tribal Chairman, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

### Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Tribal Government

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Christopher McGeshick
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# JOINT RESOLUTION #2003- <u>OH |</u> Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians TRIBAL COUNCIL &

## PUBLIC ENTERPRISE AND FINANCE COMMISSION

- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians are a Federally recognized tribe, and
- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians has a Tribal Council empowered to transact business and otherwise act on behalf of the band, and
- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians owns and operates a Casino in Watersmeet, Michigan;
- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians manages its casino through the Public Enterprise and Finance Commission;
- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians had a Gaming Commission which was organized to oversee and to otherwise regulate the gambling which took place in the Casino;
- WHEREAS: the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians by and through their duly elected Tribal Council and its Public Enterprise and Finance Commission has determined that it is in the best interests of the Casino and the tribe in general to eliminate the Gaming Commission and to replace it with three full-time Gaming Regulator positions;

WHEREAS: Article IV, Section 1(f) of the Constitution of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians specifically allows the Tribal Council "To manage the economic affairs, enterprises, property, both real and personal, and other interests of the Band";

WHEREAS: Article IV, Section 1(j) of the Constitution of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians specifically allows the Tribal Council "to charter subordinate organizations including housing, financial and health boards, and to delegate to such organizations or to any subordinate boards or officials of the organizations, the power to manage the economic affairs and enterprises of the Lac Vieux Desert Band, reserving the right to review any action taken by virtue of such delegated power";

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians supports and hereby eliminates its Gaming Commission and adopts the establishment of three full time Gaming Regulator positions who shall possess all of the duties and responsibilities formerly carried out by the Gaming Commission and amends the Lac Vieux Desert Gaming Code to reflect the same.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians adopts this resolution retroactively to October 17, 2002.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

We do hereby certify that this resolution was duly presented and voted upon with a vote

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Secretary