

SEP 29 2009

Nelson Pinola, Chairman Manchester-Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians P.O. Box 623 Point Arena, CA 95468

Re:

Submission of Gaming Ordinance Amendment for Manchester-Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians

Dear Chairman Pinola:

This letter responds to your request to the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve an amendment to the tribal gaming ordinance of the Manchester-Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians (Tribe). The Tribe forwarded Resolution 2009-205-02-27-09 adopted on June 20, 2009, and the NIGC received it on September 25, 2009.

The ordinance amendment is consistent with the requirements of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) and this agency's regulations, and it is therefore approved.

Thank you for your submission. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact John Hay in the Office of the General Counsel, at 202-632-7003.

Sincerely.

Philip N. Hogen Chairman

cc:

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RESOLUTION NO. 2009-205-02-27-09

A RESOLUTION OF MANCHESTER POINT ARENA BAND OF POMO INDIANS TO AMEND THE TRIBAL GAMING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS: the Manchester Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians (the Tribe) is a federally recognized Indian tribe eligible for all rights and privileges afforded to recognized Tribes and eligible for the services provided to Indians by the Secretary of the Interior because of the Tribe's status; and,

WHEREAS: the Manchester Point Arena Community Council is the governing body of the Tribe under the Authority of the Tribe's Constitution; and,

WHEREAS: the Manchester Point Arena Community Council has adopted Resolution #0025 on December 17, 1981 authorized the Business Committee, also known as the Tribal Council to conduct business in between the biannual meetings to expedite contracts and other programs; and

WHEREAS: a contract to construct a gaming facility and conduct gaming to advance the economic well being of the tribe and its members; and,

WHEREAS: the current approved State-Tribal compact address the establishment of a Gaming Commission; and,

WHEREAS, the language Addressing the disqualification for office of Commissioner does not meet the needs of the Tribe; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Manchester Point Arena Tribal Council amends by deleting Section 4. b. (3) of the Tribal Gaming Ordinance so that non-Tribal members can serve on the Tribal Gaming Commission.

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Nelson Pinola, Tribal Chairman

ATTEST:

Eloisa Oropéza, Secretary

Date: 6/21 /09