



June 24, 2021

Dear Tribal Leader:

This letter is to update you on two items related to the National Indian Gaming Commission's effort to enhance and improve the Agency's outreach and collaboration.

The NIGC's Chief Information Officer continues to seek feedback from tribal gaming regulatory authorities regarding the NIGC's memorandum of understanding with tribes for the use of criminal history record information. If your tribe currently processes fingerprints through the NIGC, your tribal gaming regulatory official should have received a letter on or around June 14, 2021. A catalog of documents pertaining to the MOU comment period can be found on our webpage at <https://www.nigc.gov/compliance/CJIS-Training-Materials>. The deadline for the final and third round of input is June 30, 2021.

Second, the National Indian Gaming Commission's eight region offices will be hosting virtual region summits with tribal leadership and tribal gaming regulatory authorities during the week of July 12, 2021. These summits will be targeted conversations at the regional level and include an overview of the region office, discussions around top audit findings and regulatory issues within a region, agency wide initiatives, and an overview of NIGC resources to support work at the regional level. Each NIGC Regional Director will be sending an invitation and agenda to the tribal leader and tribal gaming regulatory authority.

The July region summits are a new effort by the NIGC to promote transparency and to foster effective communication with our tribal partners. Regional discussion such as these can promote collaboration and proactive planning. Region-focused discussions are also an opportunity for the regulatory community to maintain open lines of communication during a time where much of our interactions have been virtual.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E. Sequoyah Simermeyer". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Chairman

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