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NIGC creates Technology Division to enhance mission delivery

WASHINGTON, March 6, 2015--The National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) today announced the formation of a new division focused on providing increased and integrated technology for enhancing its regulatory mission and supporting Tribes and tribal regulators.

"Adding the voice of a Technology Director to our senior leadership team will highlight the agency's commitment to keep pace with the gaming industry technology across the agency," said Acting Chairman Jonodev Chaudhuri. "Indian gaming is a technologically driven industry and this division will enhance our capacity and enable us to better meet the needs of Tribes and tribal regulators."

In addition to keeping the agency at the forefront of technology the Technology Division will take the lead on providing the agency with information technology and telecommunications products, services and solutions for the NIGC.

"It is clear how much technology helps to improve outcomes, control costs and enhance our regulatory delivery," said Associate Commissioner Daniel Little. "My hope is that the creation of the Technology Division signals to the Indian gaming industry that the NIGC is embracing technology to improve the way we do business."

The creation of the Technology Division builds on the steps the NIGC has taken recently to better harness technology both internally and externally. In 2014, the Commission opened its new headquarters and offers a state-of-the-art facility for meetings, technical assistance and trainings. The NIGC now routinely accepts tribal financial reports via Pay.gov and awarded a contract for the re-design and development of its website to include interactive features, automatic content alerts and streaming video.

The <u>National Indian Gaming Commission</u> is committed to the effective regulation of the Indian gaming industry spanning more than 450 gaming establishments, associated with nearly 242 tribes across 28 states. The Commission's dedication to compliance with the <u>Indian Gaming Regulatory Act</u> ensures the integrity of the \$28 billion Indian gaming industry. To learn more, visit <u>www.nigc.gov</u> and follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

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The National Indian Gaming Commission is an independent regulatory agency established within the Department of the Interior pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988.