

June 15, 2006

A.D. Ellis Principal Chief Muscogee (Creek) Nation P.O. Box 580 Okmulgee, OK 74447

Dear Chief Ellis:

This letter is in response to your request for the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve the amendments, dated February 25, 2006, to the tribal gaming ordinance. This letter constitutes such approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). The amendments were received by the NIGC on June 6, 2006.

The amendments add sections, "Receiving items of value" and "Membership and Appointment" to the Nation's gaming ordinance. These amendments conform with 25 C.F.R § 522.3.

The Chairman of the NIGC approved the original ordinance on November 3, 1994. This letter constitutes approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq., of the amendments, as set forth in Resolutions NCA 06-022 and NCA 06-023. The amendments are approved for gaming only on Indian lands, as defined in the IGRA, over which the Tribes possesses jurisdiction and exercises governmental power.

Thank you for submitting the ordinance amendment for review and approval. The NIGO staff and I look forward to working with you and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to implement IGRA. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Jo-Ann Shyloski, NIGC Senior Attorney, at 202-632-7003.

Sincerely yours.

Philip N. Hogen Chairman

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I hereby certify that I am the designated, qualified Tribal Secretary of the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, I further certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original Law <u>Ma-022</u> Executed the <u>Let</u> day of line Secretary of the National Council

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NCA 06-022

CLASSIFICATION: #21. GAMING

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 21, § 4-103, A., ENTITLED "Membership and Appointment"

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

SECTION ONE. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. This amendment shall be codified in Title 21, Chapter 4, of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification of said amendment and its inclusion in pocket parts of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Codification Committee is hereby authorized: (1) to approve any changes related to the manner in which sections, articles, chapters and sub-chapters are designated consistent with the format in the Code of Laws published in 2003 by West Publishing Company; (2) to include footnoted references to the legislative history in said pocket parts to the Code of Laws and (3) to not in said pocket parts any editorial correction of minor clerical or grammatical errors in the following amendment, without further National Council approval:

SECTION TWO. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this Act is to amend to establish specific educational requirements for Gaming Operations Authority Board members.

SECTION THREE. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. MCNCA Title 21, § 4-103, A., is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Membership and appointment. The Gaming Operations Authority Board shall consist of five (5) members, two (2) of whom shall be nominated by the Principal Chief and confirmed by the National Council by Tribal Resolution and three (3) nominated and confirmed by the National Council by Tribal Resolution and who shall possess the following educational and professional qualifications: B.A. Degree in Business related courses; Certified Public Accountant (C.P.A.); Architectural Engineer or Juris Doctorate with a minimum of five (5) years work experience.

SECTION FOUR. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. The effective date of this amendment shall be on the date of approval by the National Indian Gaming Commission; on the date the National Indian Gaming Commission determines that approval of the amendments are not necessary; or in the absence of issuance of approval or disapproval by the National Indian Gaming Commission, ninety days from the date of submission of this amendment to the National Indian Gaming Commission, whichever date occurs first. Page 2 of 2 NCA 06-022

ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 25th day of February 2006.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.

Géorge Tiger, Spezker National Council Muscogee (Creek) Nation

<u>CERTIFICATION</u>

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of twenty-six members with <u>Twenty-six</u> members attending this meeting on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>February 2006</u>, and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of <u>24</u> in favor, <u>1</u> against, <u>0</u> abstentions, and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.

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Terry Coold, Recording Secretary Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature this <u>day of March</u>, 2006, to the above Law, NCA 06-022, authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A. D. Ellis, Principal Chief Muscogee (Creek) Nation



I hereby certify that I am the designated, qualified Tribal Secretary of the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, I further certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original Law $\frac{26.023}{1.000}$ Executed the $\frac{157}{1.000}$ day of

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NCA 06-023

CLASSIFICATION: #21. Gaming

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 21, § 5-125, ENTITLED "Receiving items of value"

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

SECTION ONE. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. This amendment shall be codified in Title 21, Chapter 4, of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification of said amendment and its inclusion in pocket parts of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Codification Committee is hereby authorized: (1) to approve any changes related to the manner in which sections, articles, chapters and sub-chapters are designated consistent with the format in the Code of Laws published in 2003 by West Publishing Company; (2) to include footnoted references to the legislative history in said pocket parts to the Code of Laws and (3) to not in said pocket parts any editorial correction of minor clerical or grammatical errors in the following amendment, without further National Council approval:

SECTION TWO. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. MCNCA Title 21, § 5-125, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§5-125 Receiving items of value

The Gaming Commissioner or Office of Public Gaming employee(s) shall not Α. accept or receive anything of value, including without limitation airfare, travel accommodations, prizes, personal items, and apparel of any kind, from the Gaming Operations Authority Board, any member of the Gaming Operations Authority Board, any licensed and contracted with any tribally operated gaming Casinos, or Chartered Indian Community Casinos, potential vendors who have made application for a gaming license. any other person or company who is contracted to do business with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation as a whole. Vendors who are contracted to do business with a Muscogee (Creek) Nation tribally operated gaming Casino or any Chartered Indian Community shall be expected to strictly adhere to the provisions set forth herein. Failure to be in compliance with this law will result in the vendor's license being revoked, and the vendor's contract(s) with tribally operated or Chartered Indian Communities being cancelled. Be it further provided this provision shall not apply to promotional items that are given to the general public and have a value of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) or less. Violation of any of the activities prohibited in this subsection may be a criminal offense punishable in accordance with the Criminal Offenses Code.

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However, the following activities shall be permitted and allowed. O.P.G. B. (Office of Public Gaming) licensed vendors may provide round trip transportation, lodging, meals, and entertainment to authorized individuals only as stated in this amendment. Members of the Gaming Operations Authority Board or its successor and general managers or their designee of tribally operated and Chartered Indian Community Casinos are eligible to participate. This activity is for the express purpose of viewing potential gaming equipment that may be placed in their establishment(s). The site where the equipment demonstration will be presented will constitute where vendor sponsored round trip travel is authorized. Vendors shall also be allowed to make monetary and prize donations to various employee functions (Summer Party, Christmas Party, etc.) that are held throughout the year. The general managers of each Casino facility shall have the sole authority to make the necessary contacts on behalf of their establishments. Oversight responsibility shall be provided by the Office of Public Gaming and the Gaming Operations Authority Board or its successor. The general managers shall also report to the Office of Public Gaming and the Gaming Operations Authority Board or its successor the monetary value of the prize(s) or monetary donation within sixty (60) days of receipt and what vendor was responsible for the donation. The Office of Public Gaming shall maintain a log in regard to all G.O.A.B. Board Members or its successor/General Managers travel, monetary donations, and prizes that are provided to Casinos. The vendor(s) who are responsible for the contributions shall also be noted in the log. Violation of any of the activities that are permitted and allowed in this subsection may be a criminal offense punishable in accordance with the Criminal Offenses Code. The hosting facility for the Gaming Operations Authority Board meeting shall be allowed to serve meals at these meetings.

SECTION THREE. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. The effective date of this amendment shall be on the date of approval by the National Indian Gaming Commission; on the date the National Indian Gaming Commission determines that approval of the amendments are not necessary; or in the absence of issuance of approval or disapproval by the National Indian Gaming Commission, ninety days from the date of submission of this amendment to the National Indian Gaming Commission, whichever date occurs first.

ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 25th day of February 2006.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.

George Tiger, Speaker National Council Muscogee (Creek) Nation

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CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of twenty-six members with <u>Twenty-six</u> members attending this meeting on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>February 2006</u>, and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of <u>25</u> in favor, <u>0</u> against, <u>0</u> abstentions, and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.

Terry Cook Recording Secretary Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature this <u>3</u> day of <u>1000000</u>, 2006, to the above Law, NCA 06-023, authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A. D. Ellis, Principal Chief Muscogee (Creek) Nation

