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January 28, 2011

Ms. Tracie Stevens, Chairwoman
National Indian Gaming Commission
1441 L. St. N.W., Suite 9100
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: Revision of existing Gaming Regulation and Promulgating New Regulations

Dear Chairwoman Stevens:

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe would like to thank NIGC for your continued efforts to include the Tribes on a *government-to-government* basis in providing *comments* and *input* on the existing gaming regulations and being able to provide recommendations on promulgating new regulations.

The Tribe would like to submit a few comments that we feel are important to the Tribe in the revising of existing regulations. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe believes that our excellent *working relationships* and *communication* links that have been developed over the year will continue to be a valuable tool in our regulatory duties. Listed below are a few comments we would like to submit for the record during your consultation hearings.

REVISING EXISTING REGULATIONS

Part 542 Minimum Internal Control Standards for Class III Gaming

We are in *support* of NIGC's efforts in continuing its recommendations for *Class III Minimum Internal Control Standards (MICS)*. The Tribe feels that the existing MICS regulations that have been *developed* and *implemented* by the Tribes' is sufficient and *does not* require the added regulations to be developed by the respective States.

Part 543 Minimum Internal Control Standards for Class II Games

We believe that revising the current 543 is necessary. The Tribe believes that a Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC) should be assembled and this would provide the Tribe's with a *communication link* that the committee could use to advise NIGC. The membership of a TAC committee should be diverse enough to adequately address the concerns of the *Revisions of Existing & Promulgating New Regulations*

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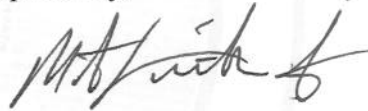
larger operations and also the needs of non-profit, charitable and fund-raising operations.

Part 573 Enforcement

The Tribe strongly believes that this section should be revised as we feel that a *Notice of Violation (NOV)* should be able to be withdrawn by NIGC, especially if a *Settlement Agreement* can be effectively negotiated prior to it being penalized by hefty fines. We believe that the Commission should consider new language that would allow the Chairperson to render this decision on a case-by-case basis.

These are some of the comments that our Tribe would like to submit for your consideration and we would like to thank you for the opportunity to address them.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles W. Murphy', written over a faint circular seal of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

Charles W. Murphy, Chairman
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe