Honorable Andrew J. Grey Sr.
Tribal Chairman
Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
Old Agency Box 509
Agency Village, South Dakota 57262-0509

Dear Chairman Grey:

On June 2, 1997, we received Amendment I to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact (Amendment) for Regulation of Class III Gaming between the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe (Tribe) and the State of North Dakota (State), dated May 14, 1997. We have completed our review of this Amendment and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Federal law, or our trust responsibility. Therefore, pursuant to Section 11(d)(8)(A) of the IGRA, 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A) and delegated authority in 209 DM 8.1, we approve the Amendment. The Amendment shall take effect when the notice of our approval, pursuant to Section 11(d)(3)(B) of IGRA, 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B), is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

We wish the Tribe and the State success in their economic venture.

Sincerely,

/S/ Michael J. Anderson
Acting
Ada E. Deer
Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Enclosures

Identical Letter Sent to: Honorable Edward Schafer
Governor of North Dakota
Capitol Building
600 E. Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

cc: Aberdeen Area Director w/copy of approved Amendment
Supt., Sisseton Agency w/copy of approved Amendment
National Indian Gaming Commission w/copy of approved Amendment
Twin Cities Field Solicitor w/copy of approved Amendment
North Dakota US Attorney w/copy of approved Amendment
AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT
FOR CONTROL OF CLASS III GAMES OF CHANCE
SISSETON-WAHPETON SIOUX TRIBE
IN NORTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, a Class III gaming compact entered into by the State
of North Dakota and the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe pursuant to
the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. §2701 et seq., became
effective and binding on February 3, 1993; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota and the Sisseton-Wahpeton
Sioux Tribe find it in their mutual interests to amend section 2.3
of said compact; and,

SO BE IT RESOLVED, that section 2.3 of said compact be and it
hereby is amended by deleting the entirety of said section and
substituting the following provisions therefor:

2.3 Duration

2.3.1 Term. This Compact shall be in effect for a term
of ten (10) years after it becomes binding on the parties.

2.3.2 Automatic Extension. The duration of this Compact
shall thereafter be automatically extended for terms of five (5)
years upon written notice of renewal by either party on the other
party during the final year of the original term of this Compact
or any extension thereof, unless the other party serves written
notice of non-renewal within thirty (30) days thereafter.

2.3.3 Operation. The Tribe may operate Class III gaming
only while this Compact, or any extension thereof under this
section, is in effect.

2.3.4 Successor Compact. In the event that written notice
of non-renewal of this Compact is given by one of the parties
above, the Tribe may, pursuant to the procedures of the Act,
request the State to enter into negotiations for a successor
compact governing the conduct of Class III gaming activities to
become effective following the expiration of this Compact.
Thereafter the State shall negotiate with the Tribe in good faith
concerning the terms of a successor compact (see sec. 11(d)(3)(A)
of the Act).
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused the foregoing amendment to section 2.3 of said Compact to be executed as of the day and year first written below.

SISSETON-WAHPETON SIOUX TRIBE

5-14-97 (DATE)  
BY: Andrew Grey, Sr., Chairman
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

5-9-97 (DATE)  
BY: Edward Schaefer, Governor

5-16-97 (DATE) 
BY: Michael A. Chittenden
ACTING Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs