Honorable George P. Newago  
Tribal Chair, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior  
Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin  
P.O. Box 529  
Bayfield, Wisconsin 54814  

Dear Chairman Newago:

On December 11, 1998, we received the Amendments to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact (Amendment) for regulation of class III gaming between the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas (Tribe) and the State of Wisconsin (State), dated December 11, 1998. 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 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 continued negotiations.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Gover

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Enclosures

Identical Letter Sent to: Honorable Tommy Thompson  
Governor of Wisconsin  
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

cc: Minneapolis Area Director w/copy of approved Amendment  
Supt., Great Lakes Agency w/copy of approved Amendment  
National Indian Gaming Commission w/copy of approved Amendment  
Field Solicitor w/copy of approved Amendment  
United States Attorney w/copy of approved Amendment
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior

ACTION: Notice of Amendment to Approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 2710 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-497), the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the Federal Register, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III (casino) gambling on Indian reservations. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, has approved the Amendments to the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact of 1991, which was executed on December 11, 1998.

DATES: This action is effective December 22, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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Kevin Gover.
Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs

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This Agreement is entered into by and between the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians ("Tribe") and the State of Wisconsin ("State").

WHEREAS, Section XXX of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact of 1991 provides that it may be amended upon the written agreement of both parties; and Whereas both parties desire to extend the Compact in order to allow for a continuing dialogue to reach a final agreement for a full extension of the Compact;

The State and the Tribe do hereby agree to amend the Compact as set forth below:

Section XXV.A. of the Compact is amended by deleting the phrase “for a term of seven years after it becomes binding on the parties”, and replacing it with the phrase “until January 15, 1999”

RED CLIFF BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPEWA INDIANS

By:

[Signature]

George P. Newago
Tribal Chair

Date Signed: 12/11/98

STATE OF WISCONSIN

By:

[Signature]

Tommy G. Thompson
Governor

Date Signed: December 11, 1998
Consistent with 25 U.S.C.A. Sec. 2710 (d)(8), the Amendments to the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the State of Wisconsin dated December 11, 1998, is hereby approved on this 11th day of December, 1998, by the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[Signature]

Kevin Gover
Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs