DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of amendment to approved Tribal-State Compact.


DATES: Effective Date: May 31, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the Federal Register notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. This Amendment, effective today, authorizes changes to the authorized games section of the tribes compact. Those changes include changes to the Tribal Lottery Systems in accordance with state law.

George T. Skibine,
Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Honorable Marilyn M. Scott  
Chairperson, Upper Skagit Tribe  
25944 Community Plaza Way  
Sedro Woolley, Washington  98284-9739  

Dear Chairperson Scott:

On April 3, 2007, we received the Fourth Amendment to the Tribal-State Compact for Class III Gaming between the Upper Skagit Tribe (Tribe) and the State of Washington (State), executed on March 30, 2007 (Amendment). We have completed our review of this Amendment and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), any other provision of Federal law that does not relate to jurisdiction over gaming on Indian lands, or the trust obligations of the United States to Indians. Therefore, pursuant to my delegated authority and Section 11 of IGRA, we approve the Amendment. This 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 continued success in their economic venture.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Similar Letter Addressed to: Honorable Christine Gregoire  
Governor, State of Washington
FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE TRIBAL/STATE COMPACT
FOR CLASS III GAMING
BETWEEN
UPPER SKAGIT TRIBE
AND THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, on December 21, 1992, the State of Washington and the Upper Skagit Tribe (hereinafter referred to as the “Tribe”) executed a Class III Gaming Compact pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) of 1988, P.L. 100-497, codified at 25 USC Section 2701 et seq. and 18 USC Section 1166-1168, and

WHEREAS, the Class III Gaming Compact executed by the State and the Tribe, as well as any amendments thereto, were approved by the Secretary of the Interior and are in full force and effect (hereinafter referred to as the “Compact”), and

WHEREAS, the State and Tribe conducted additional negotiations in accordance with the provisions of IGRA and amended Section III of the Compact by adding Appendix X to the Compact that authorized the Tribal Lottery Systems described therein, and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Appendix X, the State and Tribe have agreed to certain optional changes to the Tribal Lottery System that require Appendix X to be supplemented by further amendment known as Appendix X2,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Compact shall be, and hereby is, amended to read and state as follows:

1. Appendix X2, in the form attached hereto, is added to the IGRA Compact between the Upper Skagit Tribe and the State of Washington and is hereby
incorporated by reference as a fully enforceable part of the Compact.

2. Tribal Lottery Systems operated in accordance with the requirements of Appendix X2 are hereby recognized as additional authorized gaming activities under Section III of this Compact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Upper Skagit Tribe and the State of Washington have executed this Fourth Compact Amendment.

UPPER SKAGIT TRIBE

BY: mrs. Scott
Marilyn M. Scott, Chair


STATE OF WASHINGTON

BY: christine O. Gregoire
Christine O. Gregoire, Governor


DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BY: acting principal deputy assistant secretary – Indian affairs

Dated: 5-17-07