DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact taking effect.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the Class III Amended and Restated Tribal-State Compact between the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians and the State of California taking effect.

DATES: Effective December 5, 2014.


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq., 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 gaming activities on Indian lands. The Amended and Restated Tribal-State Compact (Compact) between the State of California (State) and the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians (Tribe) modifies the revenue sharing requirements. The expiration date of the Compact was not extended and remains December 31, 2030. The Secretary took no action on the Compact within 45 days of its submission by the Tribe and the State. Therefore, the compact is considered to have been approved, but only to the extent that the Compact is consistent with IGRA. See 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8)(C).

Dated: December 1, 2014.

Kevin K. Washburn,
Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations and Related Actions

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing or related actions in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before November 7, 2014. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR part 60, written comments are being accepted concerning the significance of the nominated properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation. Comments may be forwarded by United States Postal Service, to the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1849 C St. NW., MS 2280, Washington, DC 20240; or by fax, 202-371-6447. Written or faxed comments should be submitted by December 22, 2014. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.
The Honorable Anthon R. Pico
Chairman, Viejas Group of Capitan Grande
Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation.
P.O. Box 908
Alpine, California 91901

Dear Chairman Pico:

On September 15, 2014, our office received from the State of California (State) a copy of the Amended and Restated Tribal-State Compact (Compact) between the State and the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians (Tribe),¹ providing for the conduct of class III gaming activities by the Tribe. Under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) may approve or disapprove a proposed compact within 45 days of its submission.² If the Secretary does not approve or disapprove the proposed compact within 45 days, IGRA states that the compact is “considered to have been approved by the Secretary, but only to the extent the Compact is consistent with the provisions of [IGRA].”³

We have thoroughly reviewed the Compact and the additional materials submitted by the Tribe and State. We have declined to issue an affirmative approval because the Compact appears to include provisions impacting non-gaming activities that may exceed the lawful scope of State authority in gaming compacts under IGRA. Despite these concerns, a cautionary warning is more appropriate than a disapproval because the offending provisions are not likely to be interpreted as broadly as they are written. Accordingly, we have taken no action within the 45-day review period. The Compact is therefore considered to have been approved by the Secretary, but only to the extent it is consistent with the provisions of IGRA.

BACKGROUND

The Tribe is currently engaged in gaming under a model California tribal-state compact approved by the Department in 2000, as amended and approved in 2004 (2004 Amendment).⁴

¹ The Tribe is identified as the Viejas (Baron Long) Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation in the Department of the Interior’s (the Department) List of Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs, 79 Fed. Reg. 4748, 4749 (January 29, 2014).
The 2004 Amendment substantially increased the maximum number of authorized gaming devices for the Tribe from 2,000 to 4,500, extended the expiration date of the compact by 10 years to 2030, and purported to grant the Tribe regional protection against non-tribal gaming competitors. In exchange, the Tribe agreed to make substantially higher revenue sharing payments at a specified amount for 20 years.6

The parties have renegotiated a number of the terms of the Tribe’s compact, as amended in 2004. In particular, the Compact before us changes the revenue sharing structure from a flat annual amount plus additional fees for each gaming device over 2,000, to an amount that is 8 percent to 18 percent of net win, depending on the average number of gaming devices in operation during a quarter, up to a maximum of 4,500 machines.6 The Tribe’s pro rata share of the State’s regulatory costs will be deducted from its payments to the State.7 The Tribe will also contribute $500,000 quarterly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.8 The Tribe has submitted a financial analysis that shows that this amendment provides a substantial benefit to the Tribe because it will pay less to the State under this amendment than it currently pays.

DISCUSSION

Revenue Sharing Provisions

We review revenue sharing requirements in gaming compacts with great scrutiny. Our analysis first looks to whether a state has offered meaningful concessions to a tribe. We view this concept as one where a state concedes something it was not otherwise required to negotiate such as granting exclusive rights to operate class III gaming or other benefits with a gaming-related nexus. We then examine whether the value of the concessions provide substantial economic benefits to the tribe in a manner justifying the required revenue sharing.

As explained below, we find that the Compact’s revenue sharing provisions satisfy our test and therefore do not violate IGRA, provided that the exclusive right to operate class III gaming enjoyed statewide by tribes in California continues undiminished.


5 The 2004 Amendment was similar to agreements approved by the Department between 2004 and 2007 for at least 7 other tribes in California. While those compacts remain in effect under IGRA, the Department has since determined that regional exclusivity (or “Core Geographic Area”) is an illusory concession in light of the existence of Proposition 1A, which was ratified by the State’s voters in 2000 and grants tribes statewide exclusivity for class III gaming. See Letter from Larry Echowhawk, Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, to Leona Williams, Chairperson of the Pinoleville Pomo Nation (February 25, 2011) (disapproving tribal-state gaming compact) at http://www.bia.gov/cs/groups/xoig/documents/text/idc1-024673.pdf (Site last accessed November 4, 2014). This view is also consistent with the Ninth Circuit’s guidance in Rincon, a case that arose under IGRA’s remedial provisions. Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians v. Schwarzenegger, 602 F.3d 1019, 1038 (9th Cir. 2010) cert. denied, 131 S. Ct. 3055 (2011) (“Since the passage of a constitutional amendment eliminating tribal gaming exclusivity is extremely unlikely... freedom from non-tribal competition in its core geographic market therefore provides Rincon with no significant additional economic advantages over whatever value Rincon receives from the statewide exclusivity it already enjoys”).

6 Compact § 4.3.

7 Compact § 4.3 (c).

8 Compact §5.2 (a).
a. **Meaningful Concessions**

Our analysis of compacts in California involves the *Rincon* decision where the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals provides guidance on the extent to which variations on tribal gaming exclusivity constitute “meaningful concessions” in exchange for revenue sharing under IGRA. In reaching its decision, the Court reiterates that to be lawful under IGRA the State may request revenue sharing only if its intended uses are “directly related to the operation of gaming activities,” consistent with the purposes of IGRA, and are not “imposed” because it is bargained for in exchange for a “meaningful concession.”

In California, we have consistently recognized that Proposition 1A, approved in 2000, grants all California tribes the exclusive right to offer class III gaming within the State, and, thus, constitutes a meaningful concession. Here, the State’s concession of the ability to offer class III gaming exclusive of non-Indian operators for over 15 years constitutes a meaningful concession to the Tribe.

b. **Substantial Economic Benefit**

Under the second prong of our analysis, we believe that the State’s meaningful concession of class III gaming exclusivity vis-a-vis non-tribal operators provides substantial economic value to the Tribe in a manner justifying the revenue sharing required under the Compact. The Tribe’s financial projections reasonably conclude that it will generate substantial revenues over the life of the Compact, which will allow the Tribe to pay its debts, develop its economy, and strengthen its government. Because the State’s concession of the ability to offer class III gaming exclusive of non-tribal operators has substantial economic value to the Tribe, we find that the revenue sharing provisions in this Compact, for this Tribe at this time, comply with applicable law.

**Permissible and Impermissible Subjects of Compact Negotiation**

The IGRA limits the subjects over which states and tribes may negotiate a tribal-state compact. Congress included the tribal-state compact provisions to take into account states’ interests in the regulation and conduct of class III gaming activities. In drafting IGRA, Congress also sought to establish “boundaries to restrain aggression by powerful states.” The legislative history of IGRA states that “compacts [should not] be used as subterfuge for imposing state jurisdiction on tribal lands.” Accordingly, a critical step in our analysis is determining whether a particular

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9 *Rincon*, 602 F.3d at 1033 (discussing *In re Indian Gaming Cases (Coyote Valley II)*, 331 F.3d 1094, 1103 (9th Cir. 2003)).
10 See supra Fn. 4.
11 The expiration date of the Compact was not extended and remains December 31, 2030. Compact § 11.2.1.
provision falls within the “catch-all” category for subjects that are “directly related to the operation of gaming activities.”\(^{15}\)

The Compact’s definitions of “Gaming Facility” and “Project” cause us significant concern because the Compact could be misconstrued to allow the State to regulate matters that are not directly related to gaming activities. The definition of “Gaming Facility” includes “all rooms, buildings and areas, including hotels, parking lots and walkways.”\(^{16}\) This could include facilities beyond the actual facilities in which gaming will be conducted. The term “Project” includes any activity occurring on Indian lands including the “construction or planned expansion of any Gaming Facility and related improvement.”\(^{17}\) Such activities could include construction or maintenance or access roads, water supply systems, or utility systems that are unrelated to the conduct of gaming. When read together with the provisions of section 10.8 that require the Tribe to take certain actions before the commencement of any project, the definitions of “Gaming Facility” and “Project” may encompass an impermissibly expansive range of activities that would not be directly related to gaming.\(^{18}\)

We caution the parties that in implementing the Compact, they should not apply its provisions in a manner that does not directly relate to the operation of gaming activities.

CONCLUSION

As discussed above, we have taken no action on the Compact within the 45-day review period. As a result, the Compact is considered to have been approved by the Secretary, but only to the extent it is consistent with the provisions of IGRA. The Compact will be effective upon the publication of notice in the Federal Register.\(^{19}\)

A similar letter has been sent to the Honorable Jerry Brown, Governor of California.

Sincerely,

Kevin K. Washburn
Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

\(^{16}\) Compact § 2.9.
\(^{17}\) Compact § 10.8.7 (a).
AMENDED AND RESTATED
TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT
BETWEEN
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
AND THE
VIEJAS BAND OF KUMEYAAAY INDIANS
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AMENDED AND RESTATED TRIBAL–STATE GAMING COMPACT
Between the STATE OF CALIFORNIA and the
VIEJAS BAND OF KUMeyaAY INDIANS

This Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact is entered into on a
government-to-government basis by and between the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians,
a federally-recognized sovereign Indian tribe (hereafter “Tribe”), and the State of
California, a sovereign State of the United States (hereafter “State”), pursuant to the
Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (PL. 100-497, codified at 18 U.S.C. §§ 1166-
1168 and 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.) (hereafter “IGRA”), and any successor statute or
amendments.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, in 1988, Congress enacted IGRA as the federal statute governing Indian
tribal gaming in the United States and the purposes of IGRA are to provide a statutory
basis for the operation of gaming by Indian tribes as a means of promoting tribal
economic development, self-sufficiency, and strong tribal governments; to provide a
statutory basis for regulation of Indian gaming adequate to shield it from organized crime
and other corrupting influences; to ensure that the Indian tribe is the primary beneficiary
of the gaming operation; to ensure that gaming is conducted fairly and honestly by both
the operator and players; and to declare that the establishment of an independent federal
regulatory authority for gaming on Indian lands, federal standards for gaming on Indian
lands, and a National Indian Gaming Commission are necessary to meet congressional
concerns;

WHEREAS, the system of regulation of Indian tribal gaming fashioned by Congress in
IGRA rests on an allocation of regulatory jurisdiction among the three sovereigns
involved: the federal government, the state in which a tribe has land, and the tribe itself.
IGRA makes Class III Gaming activities lawful on the lands of federally-recognized
Indian tribes only if such activities are: (i) authorized by a tribal ordinance, (ii) located in
a state that permits such gaming for any purpose by any person, organization or entity,
and (iii) conducted in conformity with a gaming compact entered into between the Indian
tribe and the state and approved by the Secretary of the Department of the Interior;

WHEREAS, in 1999, the Tribe and the State entered into the “Tribal-State Compact
between the State of California and the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians” (“1999
Compact”), which enabled the Tribe, through revenues generated by its Gaming
Operation, to improve the governance, environment, education, health, safety, and
general welfare of its citizens, and to promote a strong tribal government, self-
sufficiency, and to provide essential government services to its citizens;

WHEREAS, in 2004, the Tribe and the State entered into an amendment to the 1999
Compact (“2004 Amendment”), which, among other things, significantly increased the
Gaming Operation’s earning potential and revenue payments to the State;
WHEREAS, since the time that the State and the Tribe entered into the 2004 Amendment, circumstances in the overall economy and the casino gaming market have changed, which have caused and will continue to cause a substantial reduction in revenues generated by the Gaming Operation in comparison to those that were expected when the parties entered into the 2004 Amendment;

WHEREAS, the fixed quarterly revenue share payments required of the Tribe under the 2004 Amendment have not adjusted to changed economic and casino gaming market conditions;

WHEREAS, after review of the Tribe's financial condition, the Tribe and the State agree that if the Tribe continues to make revenue sharing payments to the State at the fixed level required by the 2004 Amendment, the Tribe would not be able to adequately fund its Tribal government, to the detriment of the Tribe's ability to provide for the governance, environment, education, health, safety, and general welfare of the Tribe's citizens, and would therefore be incompatible with the purposes and policies of IGRA, Proposition 1A (Cal. Const. art. IV, § 19, subd. (f)), the 1999 Compact, and the 2004 Amendment;

WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State agree that this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact is designed to enhance the Tribe's economic development and self-sufficiency and to protect the health, safety and general welfare interests of the Tribe and its citizens, the surrounding community, and the California public, and to promote and secure long-term stability, mutual respect, and mutual benefits;

WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State desire to enter into this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact to ensure that the Tribe is the primary beneficiary of the Gaming Operation and can continue to fund essential Tribal government services through gaming revenue;

WHEREAS, the State and the Tribe recognize that the exclusive rights the Tribe enjoys under this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact provide a unique opportunity for the Tribe to continue to engage in the Gaming Activities in an economic environment free of competition from the operation of slot machines and banked card games on non-Indian lands in California and that this unique economic environment is of great value to the Tribe;

WHEREAS, in consideration of the exclusive rights enjoyed by the Tribe to engage in the Gaming Activities and to operate Gaming Devices as specified in this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact, and the other meaningful concessions offered by the State in good faith negotiations, and pursuant to IGRA, the Tribe restates its intent, inter alia, to provide to the State, on a sovereign-to-sovereign basis, and to local jurisdictions, fair cost reimbursement and mitigation from revenues from the Gaming Devices operated pursuant to this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact on a payment schedule;
WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State share an interest in mitigating the off-reservation impacts of the Gaming Facility, affording meaningful consumer and employee protections in connection with the operations of the Gaming Facility, fairly regulating the Gaming Activities conducted at the Gaming Facility, and fostering a good-neighbor relationship;

WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State share a joint sovereign interest in ensuring that Gaming Activities are free from criminal and other undesirable elements; and,

WHEREAS, the State and the Tribe agree that all terms of this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact are intended to be binding and enforceable;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tribe and the State agree as set forth herein:

SECTION 1.0. PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES.

The terms of this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact are designed and intended to:

(a) Evidence the goodwill and cooperation of the Tribe and State in fostering a mutually respectful government-to-government relationship that will serve the mutual interest of the parties.

(b) Develop and implement a means of regulating Class III Gaming, and only Class III Gaming, on the Tribe’s Indian lands to ensure its fair and honest operation in accordance with IGRA, and through that regulated Class III Gaming, enable the Tribe to develop self-sufficiency, promote tribal economic development, and generate jobs and revenues to support the Tribe’s government and its governmental services and programs.

(c) Promote ethical practices in conjunction with that Class III Gaming, through the licensing and control of persons and entities employed in, or providing goods and services to, the Tribe’s Gaming Operation, protecting against the presence or participation of persons whose criminal backgrounds, reputations, character, or associations make them unsuitable for participation in gaming, thereby maintaining a high level of integrity in tribal government gaming, and protecting the patrons and employees of the Gaming Operation and the local communities.

(d) Achieve the objectives set forth in the preamble.

SECTION 2.0. DEFINITIONS.

Sec. 2.1. “Applicant” means an individual or entity that applies for a Tribal license, or a State certification based on a determination of suitability.
Sec. 2.2. "Association" means an association of California tribal and state gaming regulators, the membership of which comprises up to two representatives from each tribal gaming agency of those tribes with whom the State has a gaming compact under IGRA, and up to two delegates each from the state Bureau of Gambling Control and the California Gambling Control Commission.

Sec. 2.3. "Class III Gaming" means the forms of Class III Gaming defined as such in 25 U.S.C. § 2703(8) and by regulations of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

Sec. 2.4. "County" means the County of San Diego, California, a political subdivision of the State.

Sec. 2.5. "Gaming Activity" or "Gaming Activities" means the Class III Gaming activities authorized under this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact.

Sec. 2.6. "Compact" means this Amended and Restated Tribal-State Gaming Compact, which constitutes an amendment to the terms of 1999 Compact (as previously amended by the 2004 Amendment).

Sec. 2.7. "Gaming Device" means any slot machine within the meaning of article IV, section 19, subdivision (f) of the California Constitution. For purposes of calculating the number of Gaming Devices, each player station or terminal on which a game is played constitutes a separate Gaming Device, irrespective of whether it is part of an interconnected system to such terminals or stations. "Gaming Device" includes, but is not limited to, video poker, but does not include electronic, computer, or other technological aids that qualify as class II gaming (as defined under IGRA).

Sec. 2.8. "Gaming Employee" means any natural person who (i) operates, maintains, repairs, conducts, or assists in any Class III Gaming Activity, or is in any way responsible for supervising such Gaming Activities or persons who conduct, operate, account for, or supervise any such Gaming Activity, (ii) is in a category under federal or tribal gaming law requiring licensing, (iii) is an employee of the Tribal Gaming Agency with access to confidential information, or (iv) is a person whose employment duties require or authorize access to areas of the Gaming Facility in which Gaming Activities are conducted that are not open to the public.

Sec. 2.9. "Gaming Facility" or "Facility" means any building in which Class III Gaming Activities or Gaming Operations occur, or in which the business records, receipts, or funds of the Gaming Operation are maintained (but excluding offsite facilities primarily dedicated to storage of those records, and financial institutions), and all rooms, buildings, and areas, including hotels, parking lots and walkways, a principal purpose of which is to serve the activities of the Gaming Operation, provided that nothing herein prevents the conduct of class II gaming (as defined under IGRA) therein.
Sec. 2.10. "Gaming Operation" means the business enterprise that offers and operates Gaming Activities, whether exclusively or otherwise.

Sec. 2.11. "Gaming Ordinance" means a tribal ordinance or resolution duly authorizing the conduct of Gaming Activities on the Tribe’s Indian lands and approved under IGRA.

Sec. 2.12. "Gaming Resources" means any goods or services provided or used in connection with Gaming Activities, whether exclusively or otherwise, including, but not limited to, equipment, furniture, gambling devices and ancillary equipment, implements of Gaming Activities such as playing cards, furniture designed primarily for Class III Gaming activities, maintenance or security equipment and services, and Class III Gaming consulting services. "Gaming Resources" does not include professional accounting and legal services.

Sec. 2.13. "Gaming Resource Supplier" means any person or entity who, directly or indirectly, does or is deemed likely to, manufacture, distribute, supply, vend, lease, purvey, or otherwise provide to the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility at least twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) in Gaming Resources in any twelve (12)-month period, or who directly or indirectly receives, or is deemed likely to receive, in connection with the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility, at least twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) in any consecutive twelve (12)-month period, provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may exclude a purveyor of equipment or furniture that is not specifically designed for, and is distributed generally for use other than in connection with, Gaming Activities, if, but for the purveyance, the purveyor is not otherwise a Gaming Resource Supplier as described herein, the compensation received by the purveyor is not grossly disproportionate to the value of the goods or services provided, and the purveyor is not otherwise a person who exercises a significant influence over the Gaming Operation. A business entity that provides component parts or supporting services to a Gaming Resource Supplier but that does not have a direct contractual relationship with the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility is not considered a Gaming Resource Supplier.


Sec. 2.15. "Management Contractor" means any Gaming Resource Supplier with whom the Tribe has contracted for the management of any Gaming Activity or Gaming Facility, including, but not limited to, any person who would be regarded as a management contractor under IGRA.

Sec. 2.16. "Net Win" is drop from Gaming Devices, plus the redemption value of expired tickets, less fills, less payouts, less participation fees (i.e. payments made to Gaming Resource Supplies on a periodic basis by the Gaming Operation for the right to lease or otherwise offer for play Gaming Devices), less that portion of the Gaming
Operation's payments to a third-party wide-area progressive jackpot system provider that is contributed only to the progressive jackpot amount.

Sec. 2.17. "NIGC" means the National Indian Gaming Commission.

Sec. 2.18. "State" means the State of California or an authorized official or agency thereof designated by this Compact or by the Governor.

Sec. 2.19. "State Designated Agency" means the entity or entities designated or to be designated by the Governor to exercise rights and fulfill responsibilities established by this Compact.

Sec. 2.20. "State Gaming Agency" means the entities authorized to investigate, approve, regulate and license gaming pursuant to the Gambling Control Act (chapter 5 (commencing with section 19800) of division 8 of the Business and Professions Code), or any successor statutory scheme, and any entity or entities in which that authority may hereafter be vested.

Sec. 2.21. "Tribal Chairperson" means the person duly elected or selected under the Tribe's Constitution, organic documents, customs, or traditions to serve as the primary representative of the Tribe.

Sec. 2.22. "Tribal Gaming Agency" means the person, agency, board, committee, commission, or council designated under tribal law, including, but not limited to, an intertribal gaming regulatory agency approved to fulfill those functions by the NIGC, primarily responsible for carrying out the Tribe's regulatory responsibilities under IGRA and the Tribal Gaming Ordinance. No person employed in, or in connection with, the management, supervision, or conduct of any Gaming Activity may be a member or employee of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

Sec. 2.23. "Tribe" means the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, a federally-recognized Indian tribe, or an authorized official or agency thereof.

SECTION 3.0. AUTHORIZATION OF GAMING ACTIVITIES.

Sec. 3.1. The Tribe is hereby authorized and permitted to engage in only the Gaming Activities expressly referred to in section 4.0 and shall not engage in Class III Gaming that is not expressly authorized in that section.

SECTION 4.0. SCOPE OF CLASS III GAMING, GAMING FACILITIES, NUMBER OF GAMING DEVICES AND REVENUE SHARING.

Sec. 4.1. Authorized and Permitted Class III Gaming. The Tribe is hereby authorized and permitted to operate only the following Gaming Activities under the terms and conditions set forth in the Compact:
(a) Gaming Devices.

(b) Any banking or percentage card game.

(c) The operation of any devices or games that are authorized under state law to the California State Lottery, provided that the Tribe will not offer such games through use of the Internet unless others in the state not affiliated with or licensed by the California State Lottery are permitted to do so under state and federal law.

(d) Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize or permit the operation of any Class III Gaming, including but not limited to banking and percentage games prohibited by state law, that is not authorized or permitted under, or otherwise exceeds the authority granted by, article IV, section 19, subdivisions (e) and (f), of the California Constitution.

(e) The Tribe shall not engage in Class III Gaming that is not expressly authorized in this Compact.

Sec. 4.2. Authorized Gaming Facilities. The Tribe may establish and operate not more than two Gaming Facilities, and only on those Indian lands held in trust for the Tribe as of the execution date of this Compact as those lands are legally described in, and represented on, the map in Appendix A hereto, and on which gaming may lawfully be conducted under IGRA. The Tribe may combine and operate in each Gaming Facility any forms and kinds of gaming permitted under law, except to the extent limited under IGRA and any applicable regulations adopted pursuant thereto, this Compact, or the Tribe’s Gaming Ordinance.

Sec. 4.3. Quarterly Revenue Contribution. The Tribe is authorized to operate no more than four thousand five hundred (4,500) Gaming Devices in accordance with the conditions set forth in this section. The Tribe shall pay to the State quarterly a revenue contribution, which shall be based upon the average number of Gaming Devices in operation during such quarter, equal to a percentage of the Net Win from such Gaming Devices according to the following schedule:

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(a) The average number of Gaming Devices in operation during a quarter shall be calculated by adding the total number of Gaming Devices in operation during each day of the quarter and dividing that sum by the total number of days in the quarter. The result of that calculation determines which percentage of Net Win shall be used to calculate the quarterly revenue contribution to be remitted to the State (e.g., 2,400 average Gaming Devices in operation yields a revenue contribution equal to ten percent (10%) of the Gaming Devices’ Net Win).

(b) During the first five (5) years in which this Compact is in effect, a portion of the Tribe’s quarterly revenue contribution to the State will be deposited in the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund ("SDF") in the amounts specified below. This provision does not alter the total amount of the quarterly revenue contribution that the Tribe pays to the State, but specifies the principal fund to which the Tribe’s payments, to the extent the Tribe’s total annual revenue contributions reach or exceed the following amounts, are deposited.

(1) During years one (1) and two (2), five million dollars ($5,000,000) will be allocated to the SDF;

(2) During year three (3), four million dollars ($4,000,000) will be allocated to the SDF;

(3) During year four (4), three million dollars ($3,000,000) will be allocated to the SDF; and,

(4) During year five (5), two million dollars ($2,000,000) will be allocated to the SDF.

(c) During each year in which the Compact is in effect, the Tribe’s pro rata share of the State’s 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(C) regulatory costs will be deducted from the Tribe’s quarterly revenue contribution to the State. The Tribe’s pro rata share payment under this subdivision will go to the SDF. The Tribe’s pro rata share payment shall be ascertained by the monies appropriated in the annual Budget Act for the performance of their duties under Class III Gaming compacts each fiscal year for the California Gambling Control Commission, the California Department of Justice, the Office of the Governor and the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, Office of Problem Gambling, or any agency or agencies the State designates as a successor to them (" Appropriation"). The Appropriation and the total number of Gaming Devices operated by all federally recognized tribes in California pursuant to tribal-state Class III Gaming compacts determined to be in operation during the previous fiscal year shall be reported annually by the State Gaming Agency to the Tribe.
on or by December 15. The Tribe’s pro rata share of the State’s regulatory costs shall be calculated by the following equation:

The maximum number of Gaming Devices operated in the Gaming Facility for the previous fiscal year as determined by the State Gaming Agency, divided by the maximum number of Gaming Devices operated by all federally recognized tribes in California pursuant to tribal-state Class III Gaming compacts during the previous fiscal year, multiplied by the Appropriation, equals the Tribe’s pro rata share.

(d) In each year of this Compact, any amount of the Tribe's quarterly revenue contributions due under this section 4.3 that is remaining after the Tribe’s payments are made and deposited into the SDF pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c), will go to the General Fund.

(e) The Tribe shall remit to the State Gaming Agency the payments described in this section 4.3. All payments due under this section 4.3 shall be due on the thirtieth (30th) day following the end of each calendar quarter. If the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact commence during a calendar quarter, the first payment shall be due on the thirtieth (30th) day following the end of the first full quarter of the Gaming Activities and shall cover the period from the commencement of the Gaming Activities to the end of the first full calendar quarter. If any portion of the quarterly revenue contribution is overdue, the Tribe shall pay to the State for purposes of deposit into the appropriate fund, the amount overdue plus interest accrued thereon at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month or the maximum rate permitted by state law for delinquent payments owed to the State, whichever is less. All quarterly payments shall be accompanied by the report specified in section 4.4.

(f) The foregoing payments have been negotiated between the parties as a fair contribution, based upon the State’s costs of regulating and mitigating certain impacts of tribal Class III Gaming Activities, as well as the Tribe’s market conditions, its circumstances, and the rights afforded and consideration provided by this Compact.

Sec. 4.4. Quarterly Revenue Contribution Report. At the time each quarterly payment is due, the Tribe shall submit to the State a report, prepared and certified by an authorized representative of the Gaming Operation, which sets forth the following information:

(a) The calculation of the average number of Gaming Devices in operation during the quarter.
(b) The calculation of Net Win generated by the Gaming Devices in operation during the quarter.

(c) The percentage applied to Net Win under section 4.3 for purposes of determining the quarterly revenue contribution to the State.

(d) The total amount of the quarterly revenue contribution paid to the State under section 4.3.

SECTION 5.0. REVENUE SHARING WITH NON-GAMING AND LIMITED-GAMING TRIBES.

Sec. 5.1. Definitions.

For purposes of this section 5.0, the following definitions apply:

(a) The "Revenue Sharing Trust Fund" is a fund created by the Legislature and administered by the State Gaming Agency, as limited trustee, with no duties or obligations hereunder except for the receipt, deposit, and distribution of monies paid by gaming tribes for the benefit of Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes. The State Gaming Agency shall allocate and disburse the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund monies on a quarterly basis as specified by the Legislature. Each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe in the State shall receive the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars ($1,100,000) per year from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund. In the event there are insufficient monies in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to pay one million one hundred thousand dollars ($1,100,000) per year to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe, any available monies in that fund shall be distributed to eligible Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes in equal shares. Monies deposited into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund in excess of the amount necessary to distribute one million one hundred thousand dollars ($1,100,000) to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe shall remain in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund available for disbursement in future years. In no event shall the State’s general fund be obligated to make up any shortfall in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or to pay any unpaid claims connected therewith, and, notwithstanding any provision of law, including any existing provision of law implementing the State Gaming Agency’s obligations related to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund under any Class III Gaming compact, Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes are not third-party beneficiaries of this Compact and shall have no right to seek any judicial order.
compelling disbursement of any Revenue Sharing Trust Fund monies to them.

(b) The “Tribal Nation Grant Fund” is a fund created by the Legislature to make discretionary distribution of funds to Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes upon application of such tribes for purposes related to effective self-governance, self-determined community, and economic development. The fiscal operations of the Tribal Nation Grant Fund are administered by the State Gaming Agency, which acts as limited trustee, with no duties or obligations hereunder except for the receipt, deposit, and distribution of monies paid by gaming tribes for the benefit of Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes, as those payments are directed by a State Designated Agency. The State Gaming Agency shall allocate and disburse the Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies as specified by a State Designated Agency to one or more eligible Non-Gaming and Limited-Gaming Tribes upon a competitive application basis. The State Gaming Agency shall exercise no discretion or control over, nor bear any responsibility arising from, the recipient tribes’ use or disbursement of Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies. The State Designated Agency shall perform any necessary audits to ensure that monies awarded to any tribe are being used in accordance with their disbursement in relation to the purpose of the Tribal Nation Grant Fund. In no event shall the State’s general fund be obligated to pay any monies into the Tribal Nation Grant Fund or to pay any unpaid claims connected therewith, and, notwithstanding any provision of law, including any existing provision of law implementing the State’s obligations related to the Tribal Nation Grant Fund or the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund under any Class III Gaming compact, Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes are not third-party beneficiaries of this Compact and shall have no right to seek any judicial order compelling disbursement of any Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies to them.

(c) A “Non-Gaming Tribe” is a federally recognized tribe in California, with or without a tribal-state Class III Gaming compact, that has not engaged in, or offered, class II gaming or Class III Gaming in any location whether within or without California, as of the date of distribution to such tribe from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund, or during the immediately preceding three hundred sixty-five (365) days.

(d) A “Limited-Gaming Tribe” is a federally recognized tribe in California that has a Class III Gaming compact with the State but is operating fewer than a combined total of three hundred fifty (350) Gaming Devices in all
of its gaming operations wherever located, or does not have a Class III Gaming compact but is engaged in class II gaming, whether within or without California, during the immediately preceding three hundred sixty-five (365) days.

Sec. 5.2. Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or Tribal Nation Grant Fund Contribution.

(a) The Tribe shall continue to maintain its existing licenses to operate Gaming Devices by paying to the State Gaming Agency for deposit into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund the following fee within thirty (30) days of the end of each calendar quarter: five-hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00).

(b) If any portion of the payments under subdivision (a) is overdue after the State Gaming Agency has provided written notice to the Tribe of the overdue amount with an opportunity to cure of at least fifteen (15) business days, and if more than sixty (60) calendar days have passed from the due date, then the Tribe shall cease operating all of its Gaming Devices until full payment is made.

(c) All payments made by the Tribe to the State Gaming Agency pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be deposited into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and the Tribal Nation Grant Fund in a proportion to be determined by the Legislature, provided that if there are insufficient monies in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to pay one million one hundred thousand dollars ($1,100,000) per year to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe, the State Gaming Agency shall deposit all payments made under this section 5.2 into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.

SECTION 6.0. LICENSING.

Sec. 6.1. Gaming Ordinance and Regulations.

(a) All Gaming Activities conducted under this Compact shall, at a minimum, comply with (i) a Gaming Ordinance duly adopted by the Tribe and approved in accordance with IGRA, (ii) all rules, regulations, procedures, specifications, and standards duly adopted by the NIGC, the Tribal Gaming Agency, and the State Gaming Agency, and (iii) the provisions of this Compact.

(b) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit a copy of the Gaming Ordinance, and all of its rules, regulations, procedures, specifications, ordinances, or standards applicable to the Gaming Activities and Gaming Operation, to the State Gaming Agency within twenty (20) days following
execution of this Compact, or within twenty (20) days following their adoption or amendment, whichever is later.

(c) The Tribe and the Tribal Gaming Agency shall make available an electronic or hard copy of the following documents to any member of the public upon request and in the manner requested: the Gaming Ordinance; the rules of each Class III game operated by the Tribe; the Tribe’s constitution or other governing document(s) to the extent they impact the public in relation to the Gaming Activities or Gaming Operation; the tort ordinance specified in section 10.2(d)(2); the employment non-discrimination standards specified in section 10.2(g); the regulations promulgated by the Tribal Gaming Agency concerning patron disputes pursuant to section 8.1.10(d); and this Compact, including appendices hereto, in the event it is not available on the California Gambling Control Commission’s website.

Sec. 6.2. Tribal Ownership, Management, and Control of Gaming Operations. The Gaming Operations authorized under this Compact shall be owned solely by the Tribe.

Sec. 6.3. Prohibition Regarding Minors.

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), the Tribe shall not permit persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years to be present in any room in which Class III Gaming Activities are being conducted unless the person is en-route to a non-gaming area of the Gaming Facility.

(b) If the Tribe permits the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the Gaming Facility, the Tribe shall prohibit persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years from purchasing, consuming, or possessing alcoholic beverages. The Tribe shall also prohibit persons under the age of twenty-one (21) from being present in any area in which Class III Gaming activities are being conducted and in which alcoholic beverages may be consumed, except to the extent permitted by the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for other commercial establishments serving alcoholic beverages.

Sec. 6.4. Licensing Requirements and Procedures.

Sec. 6.4.1. Summary of Licensing Principles. All persons in any way connected with the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility who are required to be licensed or to submit to a background investigation under IGRA, and any others required to be licensed under this Compact, including, without limitation, all Gaming Employees and Gaming Resource Suppliers, Financial Sources, and any other person having a significant influence over the Gaming Operation, must be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency and cannot have had any determination of suitability denied or revoked by the State.
Gaming Agency. The parties intend that the licensing process provided for in this Compact shall involve joint cooperation between the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency, as more particularly described herein.

**Sec. 6.4.2. Gaming Facility.**

(a) The Gaming Facility authorized by this Compact shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency in conformity with the requirements of this Compact, the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, and IGRA, including any applicable regulations adopted thereto. The license shall be reviewed and renewed every two (2) years thereafter. Verification that this requirement has been met shall be provided by the Tribe to the State Gaming Agency every two (2) years by sending a copy of the initial license and each renewal license within twenty (20) days after issuance of the license or renewal. The Tribal Gaming Agency’s certification that the Gaming Facility is being operated in conformity with these requirements shall be posted in a conspicuous and public place in the Gaming Facility at all times.

(b) Any Gaming Facility in which gaming authorized by this Compact is conducted shall be issued a certificate of occupancy by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to occupancy. The issuance of this certificate shall be reviewed for continuing compliance every two (2) years thereafter. Inspections by qualified building and safety experts shall be conducted under the direction of the Tribal Gaming Agency as the basis for issuing any certificate hereunder. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall determine and certify that, as to new construction or new use for gaming, the Gaming Facility meets the Applicable Codes, as defined in subdivision (d), or, as to facilities or portions of facilities that were used for the Tribe’s Gaming Activities prior to this Compact, that the Gaming Facility meets the requirements of the Tribe’s 2004 Amendment.

(c) Section 6.4.2, subdivision (b), of the 1999 Compact shall apply to any Gaming Facility constructed prior to the effective date of the 2004 Amendment, and subdivisions (d) through (j) herein shall apply to the construction of any Gaming Facility after the effective date of the 2004 Amendment, and to any construction, expansion, improvement, modification, or renovation to, any existing Gaming Facility occurring after the effective date of the 2004 Amendment (“Covered Gaming Facility Construction”). Any such construction, expansion, improvement, modification, or renovation will also comply with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, P.L. 101-336, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.

(d) In order to assure the protection of the health and safety of all Gaming Facility patrons, guests, and employees, the Tribe shall adopt or has already adopted, and shall maintain throughout the term of this Compact, an
ordinance that requires any Covered Gaming Facility Construction to meet or exceed the California Building Code and the Public Safety Code applicable to the county in which the Gaming Facility is located as set forth in Titles 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations, as those regulations may be amended during the term of this Compact, including but not limited to, codes for building, electrical, energy, mechanical, plumbing, fire, and safety ("the Applicable Codes"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Tribe need not comply with any standard that specifically applies in name or in fact only to tribal facilities. Without limiting the rights of the State under this section, reference to Applicable Codes is not intended to confer jurisdiction upon the State or its political subdivisions. For purposes of this section, the terms "building official" and "code enforcement agency" as used in Title 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations mean the Tribal Gaming Agency or such other Tribal government agency or official as may be designated by the Tribe’s law.

(e) In order to assure compliance with the Applicable Codes, in all cases where said codes would otherwise require a permit, the Tribe shall employ for any Covered Gaming Facility Construction appropriate plan checkers or review firms that either are California licensed architects or engineers with relevant experience or are on the list, if any, of approved plan checkers or review firms provided by the city or county in which the Gaming Facility is located, and employ project inspectors that have been either approved as Class I certified inspectors by the Division of the State Architect or approved as Class A certified inspectors by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development or their successors. The Tribe shall require said inspectors to report in writing any failure to comply with the Applicable Codes to the Tribal Gaming Agency and an agency designated by the State (the "State Designated Agency"). The plan checkers, review firms, and project inspectors shall hereinafter be referred to as "Inspector(s)."

(f) In all cases where the Applicable Codes would otherwise require plan check, the Tribe shall require those responsible for any Covered Gaming Facility Construction to provide the documentation set forth below:

(1) The Tribe shall cause the design and construction calculations, and plans and specifications that form the basis for the planned Covered Gaming Facility Construction (the "Design and Building Plans") to be provided to the State Designated Agency within fifteen (15) days of their completion;

(2) In the event that material changes to a structural detail of the Design and Building Plans will result from contract change orders or any other changes in the Design and Building Plans, the Tribe shall provide such change orders or other changes to the State
Designated Agency within five (5) days of the change’s execution or approval;

(3) The Tribe shall maintain during construction all other contract change orders for inspection and copying by the State Designated Agency upon its request;

(4) The Tribe shall maintain the Design and Building Plans for the term of this Compact.

(g) The State Designated Agency may designate an agent or agents to be given reasonable notice of each inspection by an Inspector required by section 108 of the California Building Code, and said State agents may accompany the Inspector on any such inspection. The Tribe agrees to correct any Gaming Facility condition noted in said inspection required by section 108 that does not meet the Applicable Codes (hereinafter “deficiency”). Upon not fewer than three (3) business days’ notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency, except in circumstances posing an immediate threat to the life or safety of any person, in which case no advance notice is required, the State Designated Agency shall also have the right to conduct an independent inspection of the Gaming Facility to verify compliance with the Applicable Codes before public occupancy and shall report to the Tribal Gaming Agency any alleged deficiency; provided, however that prior to any exercise by the State of its right to inspect without notice based upon alleged circumstances posing an immediate threat to the life or safety of any person, the State Designated Agency shall provide to the Tribal Gaming Agency notice in writing specifying in reasonable detail those alleged circumstances.

(h) Upon final certification by the Inspector that a Gaming Facility meets Applicable Codes, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall forward the Inspector’s certification to the State Designated Agency within ten (10) days of issuance. If requested, upon final certification, or in circumstances posing an immediate threat to the life or safety of any person, the State Designated Agency shall have the right to review all records of the Inspector directly related to Gaming Facility inspection, including the Inspector’s final certification that the Gaming Facility meets Applicable Codes. If the State Designated Agency objects to the certification, the Tribe shall make a good faith effort to address the State’s concerns, but if the State Designated Agency does not withdraw its objection, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of section 9.0.

(i) Any failure to remedy within a reasonable period of time any material and timely raised deficiency shall be deemed a violation of the Compact unless the State has acted unreasonably in reporting the deficiency to the Tribe,
and furthermore, any deficiency that poses a serious or significant risk to the health or safety of any occupants shall be grounds for the State Designated Agency to prohibit occupancy of the affected portion of the Gaming Facility pursuant to a court order until the deficiency is corrected. The Tribe shall not allow occupancy of any portion of the Gaming Facility that is constructed or maintained in a manner that endangers the health and safety of the occupants.

(j) The Tribe shall also take all necessary steps to (i) reasonably ensure the ongoing availability of sufficient and qualified fire suppression services to the Gaming Facility and (ii) reasonably ensure that the Gaming Facility satisfies all requirements of title 19 of the California Code of Regulations applicable to similar facilities in the county in which the Gaming Facility is located. Not more than sixty (60) days after the effective date of the Compact, and not less than biennially thereafter, and upon at least ten (10) days’ notice to the State Designated Agency, the Gaming Facility shall be inspected, at the Tribe’s expense, by a Tribal official, if any, who is responsible for fire protection on the Tribe’s lands, or by an independent expert, for purposes of certifying that the Gaming Facility meets a reasonable standard of fire safety and life safety. The State Designated Agency shall be entitled to designate and have a qualified representative or representatives present during the inspection. During such inspection, the State’s representative(s) shall specify to the Tribal official or independent expert, as the case may be, any condition which the representative(s) reasonably believes would preclude certification of the Gaming Facility as meeting a reasonable standard of fire safety and life safety. Within fifteen (15) days of the inspection, the Tribal official or independent expert shall issue a report on the inspection, identifying any deficiency in fire safety or life safety at the Gaming Facility or in the ability of the Tribe to meet reasonably expected fire suppression needs of the Gaming Facility. Within fifteen (15) days after the issuance of the report, the Tribal official or independent expert shall also require and approve a specific plan for correcting deficiencies, whether in fire safety at the Gaming Facility or in the Tribe’s ability to meet the reasonably expected fire suppression needs of the Gaming Facility, including those identified by the State’s representative(s). A copy of the report shall be served on the State Designated Agency, upon delivery of the report to the Tribe. Immediately upon correction of all deficiencies identified in the report, the Tribal official or independent expert shall certify in writing to the State Designated Agency that all previously identified deficiencies have been corrected. Any failure to correct all deficiencies identified in the report within a reasonable period of time shall be deemed a violation of the Compact, and any failure to promptly correct those deficiencies that pose a serious or significant risk to the health or safety of any occupants shall be a violation of the Compact and grounds for the State Gaming Agency or other State Designated Agency to prohibit occupancy of the
affected portion of the Gaming Facility pursuant to a court order until the deficiency is corrected.

Sec. 6.4.3. Suitability Standard Regarding Gaming Licenses. In reviewing an application for a gaming license, and in addition to any standards set forth in the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall consider whether issuance of the license is inimical to public health, safety, or welfare, and whether issuance of the license will undermine public trust that the Tribe’s Gaming Operations, or tribal government gaming generally, are free from criminal and dishonest elements and would be conducted honestly. A license may not be issued unless, based on all information and documents submitted, the Tribal Gaming Agency is satisfied that the applicant, and in the case of an entity, each individual identified in section 6.4.7, is all of the following, in addition to any other criteria in IGRA or the Tribal Gaming Ordinance:

(a) A person of good character, honesty, and integrity.

(b) A person whose prior activities, criminal record (if any), reputation, habits, and associations do not pose a threat to the public interest or to the effective regulation and control of gambling, or create or enhance the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices, methods, or activities in the conduct of gambling, or in the carrying on of the business and financial arrangements incidental thereto.

(c) A person who is in all other respects qualified to be licensed as provided in this Compact, IGRA, NIGC regulations (to the extent applicable), the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, and any other criteria adopted by the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Tribe. An applicant shall not be found to be unsuitable solely on the ground that the applicant was an employee of a tribal gaming operation in California that was conducted prior to the effective date of the 1999 Compact.

Sec. 6.4.4. Gaming Employees.

(a) Every Gaming Employee shall obtain, and thereafter maintain current, a valid tribal gaming license, which shall be subject to biennial renewal; provided that in accordance with section 6.4.9, those persons may be employed on a temporary or conditional basis pending completion of the licensing process and the State Gaming Agency suitability process.

(b) Except as provided in subdivisions (d) and (e), the Tribe will not employ or continue to employ, any person whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability or for a renewal of such a determination has been denied, or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal.
(c) The State Gaming Agency is authorized to review the tribal license application, and all materials and information received by the Tribal Gaming Agency in connection therewith, for any person whom the Tribal Gaming Agency has licensed, or proposes to license, as a Gaming Employee. If the State Gaming Agency determines that the person would be unsuitable for issuance of a license or permit for a similar level of employment in a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State, it shall notify the Tribal Gaming Agency of that determination. Upon receipt of such notification, the Tribal Gaming Agency, in accordance with section 6.5.1, subdivision (b), shall deny that person a tribal gaming license and shall promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from such notification, revoke any tribal gaming license theretofore issued to that person, provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, reissue a tribal gaming license to the person following entry of a final judgment reversing the determination of the State Gaming Agency in a proceeding in state court conducted pursuant to section 1085 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

(d) Notwithstanding subdivisions (b) and (c), the Tribe may retain in its employ a person whose application for a determination of suitability, or for a renewal of such a determination, has been denied by the State Gaming Agency, if:

1. the person holds a valid and current license issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency that must be renewed at least biennially;

2. the denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency is based solely on activities, conduct, or associations that antedate the filing of the person's initial application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability;

3. the person is not an employee or agent of any other gaming operation; and

4. the person has been in the continuous employ of the Tribe for at least three (3) years prior to the effective date of the 1999 Compact.

(e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (b) and (c), the Tribe may employ or retain in its employ a person whose application for a determination of suitability, or for a renewal of such a determination, has been denied by the State Gaming Agency, if the person is an enrolled member of the Tribe, as defined in this subdivision, and if (A) the person holds a valid and current license issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency that must be renewed at least biennially; (B) the denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency is based
solely on activities, conduct, or associations that antedate the filing of the person's initial application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability; and (C) the person is not an employee or agent of any other gaming operation.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "enrolled member" means a person who is either: (A) a person certified by the Tribe as having been a member of the Tribe for at least five (5) years; (B) a holder of confirmation of membership issued by the Bureau of Indian Affairs; or (C) if the Tribe has 100 or more enrolled members as of the date of execution of this Compact, a person certified by the Tribe as being a member pursuant to criteria and standards specified in a tribal Constitution that has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

(f) Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve any person of the obligation to apply for a renewal of a determination of suitability as required by section 6.5.2 and 6.5.6.

Sec. 6.4.5. Gaming Resource Supplier.

(a) Every Gaming Resource Supplier shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to the sale, lease, or distribution, or further sale, lease, or distribution, of any Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility. Unless the Tribal Gaming Agency licenses the Gaming Resource Supplier pursuant to subdivision (d), the Gaming Resource Supplier shall also apply to, and the Tribe shall require it to apply to, the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability at least thirty (30) days prior to the sale, lease, or distribution, or further sale, lease, or distribution, of any Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, except that for Gaming Devices the period specified under section 7.5, subdivision (a)(1), shall govern. The period during which a determination of suitability as a Gaming Resource Supplier is valid expires on the earlier of (i) the date two (2) years following the date on which the determination is issued, unless a different expiration date is specified by the State Gaming Agency, or (ii) the date of its revocation by the State Gaming Agency. If the State Gaming Agency denies or revokes a determination of suitability, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from notification of such denial or revocation, deny or revoke the license, provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, reissue a tribal gaming license to the Gaming Resource Supplier following entry of a final judgment reversing the determination of the State Gaming Agency in a proceeding in state court conducted pursuant to section 1085 of the California Code of Civil Procedure. The license and determination of suitability shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years for continuing
compliance. For purposes of section 6.5.2 and 6.5.6, such a review shall be deemed to constitute an application for renewal. In connection with such a review, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require the Gaming Resource Supplier to update all information provided in the previous application.

(b) Any agreement between the Tribe and a Gaming Resource Supplier, entered into after the effective date of this Compact, shall include a provision for its termination without further liability on the part of the Tribe, except for the bona fide payment of all outstanding sums (exclusive of interest) owed as of, or payment for services or materials received up to, the date of termination, upon revocation or non-renewal of the Gaming Resource Supplier's license by the Tribal Gaming Agency based on a determination of unsuitability by the State Gaming Agency. Except as set forth above, the Tribe shall not enter into, or continue to make payments to a Gaming Resource Supplier pursuant to, any contract or agreement for the provision of Gaming Resources with any person or entity whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or revoked, or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal. The Tribe shall not enter into any contract or agreement for the provision of Gaming Resources with any person or entity whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or revoked, or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal, notwithstanding that the contract or agreement is for the provision of Gaming Resources in an amount less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) in any twelve (12)-month period. The Tribe shall not authorize a Gaming Resource Supplier or any individual providing Gaming Resources to the Tribe, whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or revoked to take any actions that require licensure or a finding of suitability until both the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency have determined that the individual and/or business entity, even if operating under a name or business structure that is different from the entity that was the subject of the prior application, is suitable.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the Tribal Gaming Agency may license a Management Contractor for a period of no more than seven (7) years, but the Management Contractor must still apply for renewal of a determination of suitability by the State Gaming Agency at least every two (2) years and where the State Gaming Agency denies or revokes a determination of suitability, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deny or revoke the license promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from notification of such denial or revocation. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to bar the Tribal Gaming Agency from issuing additional new licenses to the same Management Contractor following the expiration of a seven (7)-year license.

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(d) The Tribal Gaming Agency may elect to license a person or entity as a Gaming Resource Supplier without requiring it to apply to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability under subdivision (a) if the Gaming Resource Supplier has already been issued a determination of suitability that is then valid. In that case, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately notify the State Gaming Agency of its licensure of the person or entity as a Gaming Resource Supplier, and shall identify in its notification the State Gaming Agency determination of suitability on which the Tribal Gaming Agency has relied in proceeding under this subdivision (d). Subject to the Tribal Gaming Agency's compliance with the requirements of this subdivision, a Gaming Resource Supplier licensed under this subdivision may, during and only during the period in which the determination of suitability remains valid, engage in the sale, lease, or distribution of Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, without applying to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability. The issuance of a license under this subdivision is in all cases subject to any later determination by the State Gaming Agency that the Gaming Resource Supplier is not suitable or to a tribal gaming license suspension or revocation pursuant to section 6.5.1, and does not extend the time during which the determination of suitability relied on by the Tribal Gaming Agency is valid. A license issued under this subdivision expires upon the revocation or expiration of the determination of suitability relied on by the Tribal Gaming Agency. Nothing in this subdivision affects the obligations of the Tribal Gaming Agency, or of the Gaming Resource Supplier, under section 6.5.2 and section 6.5.6 of this Compact.

(e) Except where subdivision (d) applies, within ten (10) days of the issuance of a license to a Gaming Resource Supplier, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit to the State Gaming Agency a copy of the license and a copy of all tribal license application materials and information received by it from the Applicant.

Sec. 6.4.6. Financial Sources.

(a) Subject to subdivision (e) of this section 6.4.6, any person or entity extending financing, directly or indirectly, to a Tribe for a Gaming Facility or a Gaming Operation (a “Financial Source”) shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to extending that financing.

(b) A license issued under this section shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years for continuing compliance. In connection with such a review, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require the Financial Source to update all information provided in the previous application. For purposes of section
6.5.2 and 6.5.6, such a review shall be deemed to constitute an application for renewal.

(c) Any agreement between the Tribe and a Financial Source shall be deemed to include a provision for its termination without further liability on the part of the Tribe, except for the bona fide repayment of all outstanding sums (exclusive of interest) owed as of the date of termination, upon revocation or non-renewal of the Financial Source’s license by the Tribal Gaming Agency based on a determination of unsuitability by the State Gaming Agency. The Tribe shall not enter into, or continue to make payments pursuant to, any contract or agreement for the provision of financing with any person whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or has expired without renewal.

(d) A Gaming Resource Supplier who provides financing exclusively in connection with the provision, sale or lease of Gaming Resources obtained from that Supplier may be licensed solely in accordance with licensing procedures applicable, if at all, to Gaming Resource Suppliers, and need not be separately licensed as a Financial Source under this section.

(e) (1) The Tribal Gaming Agency may, at its discretion, exclude from the licensing requirements of this section, the following Financial Sources under the circumstances stated.

(A) A federally-regulated or state-regulated bank, savings and loan association, or other federally- or state-regulated lending institution.

(B) An entity identified by Regulation CGCC-2, subdivision (f) (as in effect on July 1, 2004), of the California Gambling Control Commission, when that entity is a Financial Source solely by reason of being (i) a purchaser or a holder of debt securities issued directly or indirectly by the Tribe for a Gaming Facility or by the Gaming Operation or (ii) the owner of a participation interest in any amount of indebtedness for which a Financial Source described in subdivision (e)(1)(A) is the creditor.

(C) An investor who, alone or together with any person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such investor, holds less than 10% of all outstanding debt securities issued directly or indirectly by the Tribe for a Gaming Facility or by the Gaming Operation.
(D) An agency of the federal, state or local government providing financing, together with any person purchasing any debt securities of the agency to provide such financing.

(2) The following are not Financial Sources for purposes of this section.

(A) An entity identified by Regulation CGCC-2, subdivision (h) (as in effect on July 1, 2004), of the California Gambling Control Commission.

(B) A person or entity whose sole connection with a provision or extension of financing to the Tribe is to provide loan brokerage or debt servicing for a Financial Source at no cost to the Tribe or the Gaming Operation, provided that no portion of any financing provided is an extension of credit to the Tribe or the Gaming Operation by that person or entity.

(f) In recognition of changing financial circumstances, this section shall be subject to good faith renegotiation by both parties in or after five (5) years from the effective date of this Compact upon request of either party; provided such renegotiation shall not retroactively affect transactions that have already taken place where the Financial Source has been excluded or exempted from licensing requirements.

Sec. 6.4.7. Processing Tribal Gaming License Applications. Each applicant for a tribal gaming license shall submit the completed application along with the required information and an application fee, if required, to the Tribal Gaming Agency in accordance with the rules and regulations of that agency. At a minimum, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require submission and consideration of all information required under IGRA, including section 556.4 of title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations, for licensing primary management officials and key employees. For applicants who are business entities, these licensing provision shall apply to the entity as well as: (i) each of its officers and directors; (ii) each of its principal management employees, including any chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, and general manager; (iii) each of its owners or partners, if an unincorporated business; (iv) each of its shareholders who owns more than ten percent (10%) of the shares of the corporation, if a corporation; and (v) each person or entity (other than a financial institution that the Tribal Gaming Agency has determined does not require a license under the preceding section) that, alone or in combination with others, has provided financing in connection with any gaming authorized under this Compact, if that person or entity provided more than ten percent (10%) of

(a) the start-up capital,
(b) the operating capital over a twelve (12)-month period, or

(c) a combination thereof.

For purposes of this section, where there is any commonality of the characteristics identified in clauses (a) to (e), inclusive, between any two or more entities, those entities may be deemed to be a single entity. Nothing herein precludes the Tribe or Tribal Gaming Agency from requiring more stringent licensing requirements.

**Sec. 6.4.8. Background Investigations of Applicants.** The Tribal Gaming Agency shall conduct or cause to be conducted all necessary background investigations reasonably required to determine that the applicant is qualified for a gaming license under the standards set forth in section 6.4.3, and to fulfill all requirements for licensing under IGRA, the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, and this Compact. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall not issue other than a temporary license until a determination is made that those qualifications have been met. In lieu of completing its own background investigation, and to the extent that doing so does not conflict with or violate IGRA or the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, the Tribal Gaming Agency may contract with the State Gaming Agency for the conduct of background investigations, may rely on a state certification of non-objection previously issued under a gaming compact involving another tribe, or may rely on a State gaming license previously issued to the applicant, to fulfill some or all of the Tribal Gaming Agency’s background investigation obligation. An applicant for a tribal gaming license shall be required to provide releases to the State Gaming Agency to make available to the Tribal Gaming Agency background information regarding the applicant. The State Gaming Agency shall cooperate in furnishing to the Tribal Gaming Agency that information, unless doing so would violate any agreement the State Gaming Agency has with a source of the information other than the applicant, or would impair or impede a criminal investigation, or unless the Tribal Gaming Agency cannot provide sufficient safeguards to assure the State Gaming Agency that the information will remain confidential or that provision of the information would violate state or federal law. If the Tribe adopts an ordinance confirming that article 6 (commencing with section 11140) of chapter 1 of title 4 of part 4 of the California Penal Code is applicable to members, investigators, and staff of the Tribal Gaming Agency, and those members, investigators, and staff thereafter comply with that ordinance, then, for purposes of carrying out its obligations under this section, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall be considered to be an entity entitled to receive state summary criminal history information within the meaning of subdivision (b)(11) of section 11105 of the California Penal Code. The California Department of Justice shall provide services to the Tribal Gaming Agency through the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS), subject to a determination by the CLETS advisory committee that the Tribal Gaming Agency is qualified for receipt of such services, and on such terms and conditions as are deemed reasonable by that advisory committee.

**Sec. 6.4.9. Temporary Licensing of Gaming Employees.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the applicant has completed a license application in a manner satisfactory to the Tribal Gaming Agency, and that agency has conducted a
preliminary background investigation, and the investigation or other information held by that agency does not indicate that the applicant has a criminal history or other information in his or her background that would either automatically disqualify the applicant from obtaining a license or cause a reasonable person to investigate further before issuing a license, or is otherwise unsuitable for licensing, the Tribal Gaming Agency may issue a temporary license and may impose such specific conditions thereon pending completion of the applicant's background investigation, as the Tribal Gaming Agency in its sole discretion shall determine. Special fees may be required by the Tribal Gaming Agency to issue or maintain a temporary license. A temporary license shall remain in effect until suspended or revoked, or a final determination is made on the application, or for a period of up to one (1) year, whichever comes first. At any time after issuance of a temporary license, the Trial Gaming Agency may suspend or revoke it in accordance with sections 6.5.1 or 6.5.5, and the State Gaming Agency may request suspension or revocation before making a determination of unsuitability. Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve the Tribe of any obligation under part 558 of title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Sec. 6.5. Gaming License Issuance. Upon completion of the necessary background investigation, the Tribal Gaming Agency may issue a license on a conditional or unconditional basis. Nothing herein shall create a property or other right of an applicant in an opportunity to be licensed, or in a license itself, both of which shall be considered to be privileges granted to the applicant in the sole discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

Sec. 6.5.1. Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of Licenses.

(a) Any application for a gaming license may be denied, and any license issued may be revoked, if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines that the application is incomplete or deficient, or if the applicant is determined to be unsuitable or otherwise unqualified for a gaming license. Pending consideration of revocation, the Tribal Gaming Agency may suspend a license in accordance with section 6.5.5. All rights to notice and hearing shall be governed by tribal law, as to which the applicant will be notified in writing along with notice of an intent to suspend or revoke the license.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (ii) below, upon receipt of notice that the State Gaming Agency has determined that a person would be unsuitable for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deny that person a license and promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from such notification, revoke any license that has theretofore been issued to that person; provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, re-issue a license to the person following entry of a final judgment reversing the determination of the State Gaming Agency in a proceeding in state court conducted pursuant to section 1085 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.
(2) Notwithstanding a determination of unsuitability by the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, decline to revoke a tribal license issued to a person employed by the Tribe pursuant to section 6.4.4(d) or section 6.4.4(e).

Sec. 6.5.2. Renewal of Licenses; Extensions; Further Investigation. The term of a tribal gaming license shall not exceed two (2) years, and application for renewal of a license must be made prior to its expiration. Applicants for renewal of a license shall provide updated material as requested, on the appropriate renewal forms, but, at the discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency, may not be required to resubmit historical data previously submitted or that is otherwise available to the Tribal Gaming Agency. At the discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency, an additional background investigation may be required at any time if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines the need for further information concerning the applicant’s continuing suitability or eligibility for a license. Prior to renewing a license, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deliver to the State Gaming Agency copies of all information and documents received in connection with the application for renewal.

Sec. 6.5.3. Identification Cards. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall require that all persons who are required to be licensed wear, in plain view at all times while in the Gaming Facility, identification badges issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency. Identification badges must display information including, but not limited to, a photograph and an identification number that is adequate to enable agents of the Tribal Gaming Agency to readily identify the person and determine the validity and date of expiration of his or her license. The Tribe shall monthly provide the State Gaming Agency with the name, badge identification number, and job title of all Gaming Employees.

Sec. 6.5.4. Fees for Tribal License. The fees for all tribal licenses shall be set by the Tribal Gaming Agency.

Sec. 6.5.5. Suspension of Tribal License. The Tribal Gaming Agency may summarily suspend the license of any employee if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines that the continued licensing of the person or entity could constitute a threat to the public health or safety or may violate the Tribal Gaming Agency’s licensing or other standards. Any right to notice or hearing in regard thereto shall be governed by Tribal Law.

Sec. 6.5.6. State Certification Process.

(a) Upon receipt of a completed license application and a determination by the Tribal Gaming Agency that it intends to issue the earlier of a temporary or permanent license, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit to the State Gaming Agency a notice of intent to license the applicant, together with all of the following: (i) a copy of all tribal license application materials and information received by the Tribal Gaming Agency from the applicant; (ii) an original set of fingerprints cards; (iii) a
current photograph; and (iv) except to the extent waived by the State Gaming Agency, such releases of information, waivers, and other completed and executed forms as have been obtained by the Tribal Gaming Agency.

Except for an applicant for licensing as a non-key Gaming Employee, as defined by agreement between the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require the applicant also to file an application with the State Gaming Agency, prior to issuance of a temporary or permanent tribal gaming license, for a determination of suitability for licensure under the California Gambling Control Act. Investigation and disposition of that application shall be governed entirely by state law, and the State Gaming Agency shall determine whether the applicant would be found suitable for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to that Agency’s jurisdiction. Additional information may be required by the State Gaming Agency to assist it in its background investigation, provided that such State Gaming Agency requirements shall be no greater than that which may be required of applicants for a State gaming license in connection with nontribal gaming activities and at a similar level of participation or employment. A determination of suitability is valid for the term of the tribal license held by the applicant, and the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require a licensee to apply for renewal of a determination of suitability at such time as the licensee applies for renewal of a tribal gaming license. The State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency (together with tribal gaming agencies under other gaming compacts) shall cooperate in developing standard licensing forms for tribal gaming license applicants, on a statewide basis, that reduce or eliminate duplicative or excessive paperwork, which forms and procedures shall take into account the Tribe’s requirements under IGRA and the expense thereof.

(b) **Background Investigations of Applicants.** Upon receipt of completed license application information from the Tribal Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency may conduct a background investigation pursuant to state law to determine whether the applicant would be suitable to be licensed for association with a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State Gaming Agency. If further investigation is required to supplement the investigation conducted by the Tribal Gaming Agency, the applicant will be required to pay the statutory application fee charged by the State Gaming Agency pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 19951 subdivision (a), but any deposit requested by the State Gaming Agency pursuant to section 19867 of that Code shall take into account reports of the background investigation already conducted by the Tribal Gaming Agency and the NIGC, if any. Failure to pay the application fee or deposit may be grounds for denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency. The State Gaming Agency and Tribal Gaming
Agency shall cooperate in sharing as much background information as possible, both to maximize investigative efficiency and thoroughness, and to minimize investigative costs. Upon completion of the necessary background investigation or other verification of suitability, the State Gaming Agency shall issue a notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency certifying that the State has determined that the applicant would be suitable, or that the applicant would be unsuitable, for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State Gaming Agency and, if unsuitable, stating the reasons therefor.

(c) Prior to denying an application for a determination of suitability, the State Gaming Agency shall notify the Tribal Gaming Agency and afford the Tribe an opportunity to be heard. If the State Gaming Agency denies an application for a determination of suitability, that Agency shall provide the applicant with written notice of all appeal rights available under state law.

SECTION 7.0. COMPLIANCE ENFORCEMENT.

Sec. 7.1. On-Site Regulation. It is the responsibility of the Tribal Gaming Agency to conduct on-site gaming regulation and control in order to enforce the terms of this Compact, IGRA, any applicable NIGC and State Gaming Agency regulations, and the Tribal Gaming Ordinance with respect to Gaming Operation and Facility compliance, and to protect the integrity of the Gaming Activities, the reputation of the Tribe and the Gaming Operation for honesty and fairness, and the confidence of patrons that tribal government gaming in California meets the highest standards of regulation and internal controls. To meet those responsibilities, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall adopt and enforce regulations, procedures, and practices as set forth herein.

Sec. 7.2. Investigation and Sanctions. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall investigate any reported violation of this Compact and shall require the Gaming Operation to correct the violation upon such terms and conditions as the Tribal Gaming Agency determines are necessary. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall be empowered by the Tribal Gaming Ordinance to impose fines or other sanctions within the jurisdiction of the Tribe against gaming licensees or other persons who interfere with or violate the Tribe’s gaming regulatory requirements and obligations under IGRA, the Tribal Gaming Ordinance, or this Compact, as long as the process through which a fine or other sanction is imposed comports with the fundamental principles of due process comprised of effective notice, and an opportunity to present evidence and argument to an impartial adjudicator. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall report significant or continued violations of this Compact or failures to comply with its orders to the State Gaming Agency within ten (10) days of discovery.

Sec. 7.3. Assistance by State Gaming Agency. The Tribe may request the assistance of the State Gaming Agency whenever it reasonably appears that such assistance may be necessary to carry out the purposes described in section 7.1, or otherwise to protect public health, safety, or welfare. If requested by the Tribe or Tribal
Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency shall provide requested services to ensure proper compliance with this Compact. The State shall be reimbursed for its actual and reasonable costs of that assistance, if the assistance required expenditure of extraordinary costs.

Sec. 7.4. Access to Premises by State Gaming Agency; Notification; Inspections. Notwithstanding that the Tribe has the primary responsibility to administer and enforce the regulatory requirements of this Compact, the State Gaming Agency shall have the right to inspect the Tribe’s Gaming Facility with respect to Class III Gaming Activities only, and all Gaming Operation or Facility records relating thereto, subject to the following conditions:

Sec. 7.4.1. Inspections of Gaming Facility. Inspection of public areas of a Gaming Facility may be made at any time without prior notice during normal Gaming Facility business hours.

Sec. 7.4.2. Inspections of Non-Public Areas. Inspection of areas of a Gaming Facility not normally accessible to the public may be made at any time during normal Gaming Facility business hours, immediately after the State Gaming Agency’s authorized inspector notifies the Tribal Gaming Agency of his or her presence on the premises, presents proper identification, and requests access to the non-public areas of the Gaming Facility. The Tribal Gaming Agency, in its sole discretion, may require a member of the Tribal Gaming Agency to accompany the State Gaming Agency inspector at all times that the State Gaming Agency inspector is in a non-public area of the Gaming Facility. If the Tribal Gaming Agency imposes such a requirement, it shall require such member to be available at all times for those purposes and shall ensure that the member has the ability to gain immediate access to all non-public areas of the Gaming Facility. Nothing in this Compact shall be construed to limit the State Gaming Agency to one inspector during inspections.

Sec. 7.4.3. Inspection and Copying of Documents; Confidentiality.

(a) Inspection and copying of Gaming Operation papers, books, and records may occur at any time, immediately after notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency, during the normal hours of the Gaming Facility’s business office, provided that the inspection and copying of those papers, books or records shall not interfere with the normal functioning of the Gaming Operation or Facility. Notwithstanding any other provision of California law, all information and records that the State Gaming Agency obtains, inspects, or copies pursuant to this Compact shall be, and remain, the property solely of the Tribe; provided that such records and copies may be retained by the State Gaming Agency as reasonably necessary for completion of any investigation of the Tribe’s compliance with this Compact.

(b) (1) The State Gaming Agency will exercise utmost care in the preservation of the confidentiality of any and all information and
documents received from the Tribe, and will apply the highest standards of confidentiality expected under state law to preserve such information and documents from disclosure. The Tribe may avail itself of any and all remedies under state law for improper disclosure of information or documents. To the extent reasonably feasible, the State Gaming Agency will consult with representatives of the Tribe prior to disclosure of any documents received from the Tribe, or any documents compiled from such documents or from information received from the Tribe, including any disclosure compelled by judicial process, and, in the case of any disclosure compelled by judicial process, will endeavor to give the Tribe immediate notice of the order compelling disclosure and a reasonable opportunity to interpose an objection thereto with the court.

(2) The Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency shall confer and agree upon protocols for release to other law enforcement agencies of information obtained during the course of background investigations.

(c) Records received by the State Gaming Agency from the Tribe in compliance with this Compact, or information compiled by the State Gaming Agency from those records, shall be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

Sec. 7.4.4. Access to Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Compact, the State Gaming Agency shall not be denied access to papers, books, records, equipment, or places where such access is reasonably necessary to (i) ensure compliance with this Compact or (ii) conduct or complete an investigation of suspected criminal activity in connection with the Gaming Activities or the operation of the Gaming Facility.

Sec. 7.4.5. Gaming Device Transportation.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (b), the Tribal Gaming Agency shall not permit any Gaming Device to be transported to or from the Tribe's land except in accordance with procedures established by agreement between the State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency and upon at least ten (10) days' notice to the Sheriff's Department for the county in which the land is located.

(b) Transportation of a Gaming Device from the Gaming Facility within California is permissible only if:

(1) The final destination of the device is a gaming facility of any tribe in California that has a compact with the State;
(2) The final destination of the device is any other state in which possession of the device or devices is made lawful by state law or by tribal-state compact;

(3) The final destination of the device is another country, or any state or province of another country, wherein possession of the device is lawful; or

(4) The final destination is a location within California for testing, repair, maintenance, or storage by a person or entity that has been licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency and has been found suitable for licensure by the State Gaming Agency.

(c) Gaming Devices transported off the Tribe’s land in violation of this section 7.4.5 or in violation of any permit issued pursuant thereto is subject to summary seizure by California peace officers.

Sec. 7.5. Testing of Gaming Devices.

(a) No Gaming Device may be offered for play unless all of the following occurs:

(1) The manufacturer or distributor which sells, leases, or distributes such Gaming Device (A) has applied for a finding of suitability by the State Gaming Agency at least fifteen (15) days before it is offered for play, (B) has not been found to be unsuitable by the State Gaming Agency, and (C) has been licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency;

(2) The software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device has been tested, approved and certified by an independent or state governmental gaming test laboratory (the “Gaming Test Laboratory”) as operating in accordance with either the standards of Gaming Laboratories International, Inc. known as GLI-11, GLI-12, GLI-21, and GLI-26, or the technical standards approved by the State of Nevada, or such other technical standards as the State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency shall agree upon, which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(3) A copy of the certification by the Gaming Test Laboratory, specified in subdivision (a)(2), is provided to the State Gaming Agency by electronic transmission or by mail, unless the State Gaming Agency waives receipt of copies of certification;

(4) The software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device is tested by the Tribal Gaming Agency to ensure that each
game authorized for play on the Gaming Device has the correct electronic signature prior to insertion into the Gaming Device;

(5) The hardware and associated equipment for the Gaming Device has been tested by the Gaming Test Laboratory prior to operation by the public to ensure operation in accordance with the applicable Gaming Test Laboratory standards;

(6) The hardware and associated equipment for the Gaming Device has been tested by the Tribal Gaming Agency to ensure operation in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications; and

(7) The Tribal Gaming Agency maintains adequate records that demonstrate compliance with this subdivision (a).

(b) Where either the Tribe or the State Gaming Agency requests new standards for testing, approval, and certification of the software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device pursuant to subdivision (a)(2), and the State Gaming Agency and the Tribe fail to agree to new standards within one hundred twenty (120) days of the request, the technical standards shall be those approved by the State of Nevada.

(c) The Gaming Test Laboratory shall be an independent or state governmental gaming test laboratory recognized in the gaming industry which (i) is competent and qualified to conduct scientific tests and evaluations of Gaming Devices, and (ii) is licensed or approved by any of the following states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, or Wisconsin. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall submit to the State Gaming Agency documentation that demonstrates the Gaming Test Laboratory satisfies (i) and (ii) herein within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Compact, or if such use follows such effective date, within fifteen (15) days prior to reliance thereon. If, at any time, the Gaming Test Laboratory license and/or approval required by (ii) herein is suspended or revoked by any of those states or the Gaming Test Laboratory is found unsuitable by the State Gaming Agency, then the State Gaming Agency may reject the use of such Gaming Test Laboratory, and upon such rejection, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall ensure that such Gaming Test Laboratory discontinues its responsibilities under this section.

(d) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall ensure that compliance with subdivisions (a) and (b) is audited annually by an independent auditor and shall provide the results of such audits to the State Gaming Agency within five (5) business days of completion. For purposes of this subdivision, an independent auditor shall be a certified public accountant and/or certified internal auditor who is not employed by the Tribe, the Tribal Gaming
Agency, or the Gaming Operation, has no financial interest in any of these entities, and is only otherwise retained by any of these entities to conduct regulatory audits or audits under section 8.1.8.

(e) The State Gaming Agency, utilizing such consultants, if any, it deems appropriate, may inspect the Gaming Devices in operation at the Gaming Facility on a random basis not to exceed four (4) times annually to confirm that they operate and play properly pursuant to the manufacturer’s technical standards. These random inspections may include all Gaming Device software, hardware, associated equipment, software maintenance records, and systems that support the operation of the Gaming Device. Said random inspections conducted pursuant to this subdivision shall occur during normal business hours from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. outside of Fridays, weekends, and holidays and shall not remove from play more than five percent (5%) of the Gaming Devices operating at the Gaming Facility. The State Gaming Agency shall provide notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency of such inspection prior to the commencement of the random inspection, and the Tribal Gaming Agency may accompany the State Gaming Agency inspector(s). The State Gaming Agency, utilizing such consultants, if any, it deems appropriate, may conduct additional inspections only upon reasonable belief of any irregularity and after informing the Tribal Gaming Agency of the basis for such belief.

(f) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide to the State Gaming Agency copies of its regulations for technical standards applicable to the Tribe’s Gaming Devices upon the effective date of this Compact and at least thirty (30) days before the effective date of any revisions to the regulations.

SECTION 8.0. RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE TRIBAL GAMING OPERATION.

Sec. 8.1. Adoption of Regulations for Operation and Management; Minimum Standards. In order to meet the goals set forth in this Compact and required of the Tribe by law, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall be vested with the authority to promulgate, and shall promulgate, at a minimum, rules and regulations or specifications governing the following subjects, and to ensure their enforcement in an effective manner:

Sec. 8.1.1. The enforcement of all relevant laws and rules with respect to the Gaming Operation and Facility, and the power to conduct investigations and hearings with respect thereto, and to any other subject within its jurisdiction.

Sec. 8.1.2. Ensuring the physical safety of Gaming Operation patrons and employees, and any other person while in the Gaming Facility. Nothing herein shall be construed to make applicable to the Tribe any state laws, regulations, or standards governing the use of tobacco.

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Sec. 8.1.3. The physical safeguarding of assets transported to, within, and from the Gaming Facility.

Sec. 8.1.4. The prevention of illegal activity from occurring within the Gaming Facility or with regard to the Gaming Operation, including, but not limited to, the maintenance of employee procedures and a surveillance system as provided below.

Sec. 8.1.5. The recording of any and all occurrences within the Gaming Facility that deviate from normal operating policies and procedures (hereafter "incidents"). The procedure for recording incidents shall: (1) Specify that security personnel record all incidents, regardless of an employee’s determination that the incident may be immaterial (all incidents shall be identified in writing); (2) Require the assignment of a sequential number to each report; (3) Provide for permanent reporting in indelible ink in a bound notebook from which pages cannot be removed and in which entries are made on each side of each page; and (4) Require that each report include, at a minimum, all of the following:

(a) The record number.
(b) The date.
(c) The time.
(d) The location of the incident.
(e) A detailed description of the incident.
(f) The persons involved in the incident.
(g) The security department employee assigned to the incident.

Sec. 8.1.6. The establishment of employee procedures designed to permit detection of any irregularities, theft, cheating, fraud, or the like, consistent with industry practice.

Sec. 8.1.7. Maintenance of a list of persons barred from the Gaming Facility who, because of their past behavior, criminal history, or association with persons or organizations, pose a threat to the integrity of the Gaming Activities of the Tribe or to the integrity of regulated gaming within the State.

Sec. 8.1.8. The conduct of an audit of the Gaming Operation at the Tribe’s expense, not less than annually, by an independent certified public accountant, in accordance with the auditing and accounting standards for audits of casinos of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.
Sec. 8.1.9. Submission to, and prior approval, from the Tribal Gaming Agency of the rules and regulations of each Class III game to be operated by the Tribe, and of any changes in those rules and regulations. No Class III game may be played that has not received Tribal Gaming Agency approval.

Sec. 8.1.10. Addressing all of the following:

(a) Maintenance of a copy of the rules, regulations, and procedures for each game as played, including, but not limited to, the method of play and the odds and method of determining amounts paid to winners;

(b) Specifications and standards to ensure that information regarding the method of play, odds, and payoff determinations shall be visibly displayed or available to patrons in written form in the Gaming Facility;

(c) Specification ensuring that betting limits applicable to any gaming station shall be displayed at that gaming station;

(d) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall promulgate regulations governing patron disputes over the play or operation of any game, including any refusal to pay a patron any alleged winnings from any Gaming Activities, which regulations must be provided to the State Gaming Agency within thirty (30) days after promulgation and to patrons or their representatives upon request and which regulations must meet the following minimum standards:

(1) A patron who makes a complaint to personnel of the Gaming Operation over the play or operation of any game within seven (7) days of said play or operation shall be advised in writing of his or her right to request, within fifteen (15) days of the date of said dispute, resolution of the complaint by the Tribal Gaming Agency, and if dissatisfied with the resolution, to seek binding arbitration of the dispute before a retired judge pursuant to the terms and provisions in subdivision (d)(3), below.

(2) Upon request by the patron for a resolution of his or her complaint, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall conduct an investigation, shall provide to the patron a copy of its regulations concerning patron complaints, and shall render a decision consistent with federal gaming standards. The decision shall be issued within sixty (60) days of the patron's request, shall be in writing, shall be based on the facts surrounding the dispute, and shall set forth the reasons for the decision.

(3) If the patron is dissatisfied with the decision of the Tribal Gaming Agency, or no decision is issued within the sixty (60)-day period,
the patron may request that any such complaint over any claimed prizes or winnings and the amount thereof, be settled by binding arbitration before a single arbitrator, who shall be a retired judge, in accordance with the streamlined arbitration rules and procedures of JAMS (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent). Upon such request, the Tribe shall consent to such arbitration and agree to abide by the decision of the arbitrator; provided, however, that if any alleged winnings are found to be a result of a mechanical, electronic or electromechanical failure, which is not due to the intentional acts or gross negligence of the Tribe or its agents, the arbitrator shall deny the patron’s claim for the winnings but shall award reimbursement of the amounts wagered by the patron which were lost as a result of any said failure. To effectuate such consent, the Tribe shall, in the exercise of its sovereignty, waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection with the arbitrator’s jurisdiction and in any action to (A) enforce the parties’ obligation to arbitrate, (B) confirm, correct, modify, or vacate the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or (C) enforce or execute a judgment based upon said award. The cost and expenses of such arbitration shall be initially borne by the Tribe but the arbitrator shall award to the prevailing party its costs and expenses (but not attorney fees). Any party dissatisfied with the award of the arbitrator may at the party’s election invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (and if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent); provided that the party making such election must bear all costs and expenses of JAMS and the arbitrators associated with the Appeal Procedure regardless of the outcome.

Sec. 8.1.11. Maintenance of a closed-circuit television surveillance system consistent with industry standards for gaming facilities of the type and scale operated by the Tribe, which system shall be approved by, and may not be modified without the approval of, the Tribal Gaming Agency. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall have current copies of the Gaming Facility floor plan and closed-circuit television system at all times, and any modifications thereof first shall be approved by the Tribal Gaming Agency.

Sec. 8.1.12. Maintenance of a cashier’s cage in accordance with industry standards for such facilities.

Sec. 8.1.13. Specification of minimum staff and supervisory requirements for each Gaming Activity to be conducted.

Sec. 8.1.14. Technical standards and specifications for the operation of Gaming Devices and other games authorized herein to be conducted by the Tribe, which technical specifications may be no less stringent than those approved by a recognized gaming testing laboratory in the gaming industry.
Sec. 8.2. State Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction. Nothing in this Compact affects the civil or criminal jurisdiction of the State, local law enforcement agencies and state courts under Public Law 280 (18 U.S.C. § 1162; 28 U.S.C. § 1360) or IGRA. The parties understand and accept the allocation of authority, responsibility, and jurisdiction established by this legal framework. In addition, criminal jurisdiction to enforce state gambling laws on the Tribe’s Indian lands, and to adjudicate alleged violations thereof, is transferred to the State pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1166(d), provided that no Gaming Activity conducted by the Tribe pursuant to this Compact may be deemed to be a civil or criminal violation of any law of the State.

Sec. 8.3. Tribal Gaming Agency Members.

(a) The Tribe shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that members of the Tribal Gaming Agency are free from corruption, undue influence, compromise, and conflicting interests in the conduct of their duties under this Compact; shall adopt a conflict-of-interest code to that end; and shall ensure the prompt removal of any member of the Tribal Gaming Agency who is found to have acted in a corrupt or compromised manner.

(b) The Tribe shall conduct a background investigation on a prospective member of the Tribal Gaming Agency, who shall meet the background requirements of a management contractor under IGRA; provided that, if such official is elected through a tribal election process, that official may not participate in any Tribal Gaming Agency matters under this Compact unless a background investigation has been concluded and the official has been found to be suitable. If requested by the tribal government or the Tribal Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency may assist in the conduct of such a background investigation and may assist in the investigation of any possible corruption or compromise of a member of the agency.

Sec. 8.4. Tribal Gaming Agency Regulations. In order to foster statewide uniformity of regulation of Class III Gaming operations throughout the state, rules, regulations, standards, specifications, and procedures of the Tribal Gaming Agency in respect to any matter encompassed by sections 6.0, 7.0, or 8.0 shall be consistent with regulations adopted by the State Gaming Agency in accordance with section 8.4.1. Chapter 3.5 (commencing with section 11340) of part 1 of division 3 of title 2 of the California Government Code does not apply to regulations adopted by the State Gaming Agency in respect to tribal gaming operations under this section.

Sec. 8.4.1. Association Review of State Gaming Agency Regulations.

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (d), no State Gaming Agency regulation shall be effective with respect to the Tribe’s Gaming Operation unless it
has first been approved by the Association and the Tribe has had an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed regulation.

(b) Every State Gaming Agency regulation that is intended to apply to the Tribe (other than a regulation proposed or previously approved by the Association) shall be submitted to the Association for consideration prior to submission of the regulation to the Tribe for comment as provided in subdivision (c). A regulation that is disapproved by the Association shall not be submitted to the Tribe for comment unless it is re-adopted by the State Gaming Agency as a proposed regulation, in its original or amended form, with a detailed, written response to the Association’s objections.

(c) Except as provided in subdivision (d), no regulation of the State Gaming Agency shall be adopted as a final regulation in respect to the Tribe’s Gaming Operation before the expiration of thirty (30) days after submission of the proposed regulation to the Tribe for comment as a proposed regulation, and after consideration of the Tribe’s comments, if any.

(d) In exigent circumstances (e.g., imminent threat to public health and safety), the State Gaming Agency may adopt a regulation that becomes effective immediately. Any such regulation shall be accompanied by a detailed, written description of the exigent circumstances, and shall be submitted immediately to the Association for consideration. If the regulation is disapproved by the Association, it shall cease to be effective, but may be re-adopted by the State Gaming Agency as a proposed regulation, in its original or amended form, with a detailed, written response to the Association’s objections, and thereafter submitted to the Tribe for comment as provided in subdivision (c).

(e) The Tribe may object to a State Gaming Agency regulation on the ground that it is unnecessary, unduly burdensome, conflicts with a published final regulation of the NIGC, or is unfairly discriminatory, and may seek repeal or amendment of the regulation through the dispute resolution process of section 9.0; provided that, if the regulation of the State Gaming Agency conflicts with a final published regulation of the NIGC, the NIGC regulation shall govern pending conclusion of the dispute resolution process.

Sec. 8.5. NIGC Audit Reports. The Tribe shall provide to the State Gaming Agency, within twenty (20) days of their submission to the NIGC, copies of the audited financial statements of Class III Gaming and management letter(s), if any, provided to the NIGC. All submissions to the State Gaming Agency made pursuant to this section 8.5 shall be subject to the protections and assurances set forth in section 7.4.3, subdivision (c) of this Compact.
SECTION 9.0. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROVISIONS.

Sec. 9.1. Voluntary Resolution; Reference to Other Means of Resolution. In recognition of the government-to-government relationship of the Tribe and the State, the parties shall make their best efforts to resolve disputes that occur under this Compact by good faith negotiations whenever possible. Therefore, without prejudice to the right of either party to seek injunctive relief against the other when circumstances are deemed to require immediate relief, the parties hereby establish a threshold requirement that disputes between the Tribe and the State first be subjected to a process of meeting and conferring in good faith in order to foster a spirit of cooperation and efficiency in the administration and monitoring of performance and compliance by each other with the terms, provisions, and conditions of this Compact, as follows:

(a) Either party shall give the other, as soon a possible after the event giving rise to the concern, a written notice setting forth, with specificity, the issues to be resolved.

(b) The other party shall respond in writing to the facts and issues set forth in the notice within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notice, unless both parties agree in writing to an extension of time.

(c) The parties shall meet and confer by telephone or in person in a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute through negotiation not later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the notice set forth in subdivision (a), unless both parties agree in writing to an extension of time.

(d) If the dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the parties within thirty (30) calendar days after the first meeting, then either party may seek to have the dispute resolved by an arbitrator in accordance with this section, but neither party shall be required to agree to submit to arbitration.

(e) Disagreements that are not otherwise resolved by arbitration or other mutually agreed means may be resolved in the United States District Court in the judicial district where the Tribe's Gaming Facility is located, or in any state court of competent jurisdiction in or over the County. The disputes to be submitted to court action include, but are not limited to, claims of breach of this Compact, provided that the remedies expressly provided in section 9.4, subdivision (a)(2), are the sole remedies available to either party for issues arising out of this Compact and, notwithstanding any other provision of law or this Compact, neither the State nor the Tribe shall be liable for damages or attorney fees in any action based in whole or part on the fact that the parties have either entered into this Compact, or have obligations under this Compact. The parties are entitled to all rights of appeal permitted by law in the court system in which the action is brought.
(f) In no event may the Tribe be precluded from pursuing any arbitration or judicial remedy against the State on the ground that the Tribe has failed to exhaust its State administrative remedies, and in no event may the State be precluded from pursuing any arbitration or judicial remedy against the Tribe on the ground that the State has failed to exhaust any tribal administrative remedies.

Sec. 9.2. Arbitration Rules. Arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association, and shall be held on the Tribe's land or, if unreasonably inconvenient under the circumstances, at such other location as the parties may agree. Each side shall bear its own costs, attorneys' fees, and one-half the costs and expenses of the American Arbitration Association and the arbitrator, unless the arbitrator rules otherwise. Only one neutral arbitrator may be named, unless the Tribe or the State objects, in which case a panel of three arbitrators (one of whom is selected by each party) will be named. The provisions of section 1283.05 of the California Code of Civil Procedure shall apply; provided that no discovery authorized by that section may be conducted without leave of the arbitrator. The decision of the arbitrator shall be in writing, give reasons for the decision, and shall be binding. Judgment on the award may be entered in any federal or state court having jurisdiction thereof.

Sec. 9.3. No Waiver or Preclusion of Other Means of Dispute Resolution. This section 9.0 may not be construed to waive, limit, or restrict any remedy that is otherwise available to either party, nor may this section be construed to preclude, limit, or restrict the ability of the parties to pursue, by mutual agreement, any other method of dispute resolution, including, but not limited to, mediation or utilization of a technical advisor to the Tribal and State Gaming Agencies; provided that neither party is under any obligation to agree to such alternative method of dispute resolution.

Sec. 9.4. Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.

(a) For the purpose of actions or arbitrations based on disputes between the State and the Tribe that arise under this Compact and the enforcement of any judgment or award resulting therefrom, the State and the Tribe expressly waive their right to assert their sovereign immunity from suit and enforcement of any ensuing judgment or arbitral award and consent to the arbitrator's jurisdiction and further consent to be sued in federal or state court, as the case may be, provided that:

1. The dispute is limited solely to issues arising under this Compact;

2. Neither side makes any claim for monetary damages, and solely claims for injunctive relief, specific performance (including enforcement of a provision of this Compact expressly requiring the payment of money to one or another of the parties), and declaratory relief may be sought; and
(3) Nothing herein shall be construed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of either the Tribe or the State with respect to any third party that is made a party or intervenes as a party to the action.

(b) In the event that intervention, joinder, or other participation by any additional party in any action between the State and the Tribe would result in the waiver of the Tribe's or the State's sovereign immunity as to that additional party, the waivers of either the Tribe or the State provided herein may be revoked, except where joinder is required to preserve the court's jurisdiction, in which case the State and the Tribe may not revoke their waivers of sovereign immunity as to each other.

(c) The waivers and consents to jurisdiction expressly provided for under this section 9.0 and elsewhere in the Compact shall extend to all arbitrations and civil actions authorized by this Compact, including, but not limited to, actions to compel arbitration, any arbitration proceeding herein, any action to confirm, modify, or vacate any arbitral award or to enforce any judgment, and any appellate proceeding emanating from any such proceedings. Except as stated herein or elsewhere in this Compact, no other waivers or consents to be sued are granted by either party.

SECTION 10.0. PUBLIC AND WORKPLACE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND LIABILITY.

Sec. 10.1. Protection of Public. The Tribe will not conduct Class III Gaming in a manner that endangers the public health, safety, or welfare; provided that nothing herein shall be construed to make applicable to the Tribe any state laws or regulations governing the use of tobacco.

Sec. 10.2. Compliance. For the purposes of this Compact, the Tribal Gaming Operation shall:

(a) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than state public health standards for food and beverage handling. The Gaming Operation will allow inspection of food and beverage services by state or county health inspectors, during normal hours of operation, to assess compliance with these standards, unless inspections are routinely made by an agency of the United States government to ensure compliance with equivalent standards of the United States Public Health Service. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those state or county health inspectors, but any alleged violations of the standards shall be treated as alleged violations of this Compact.
(b) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than federal water quality and safe drinking water standards applicable in California; the Gaming Operation will allow for inspection and testing of water quality by state or county health inspectors, as applicable, during normal hours of operation, to assess compliance with these standards, unless inspections and testing are made by an agency of the United States pursuant to, or by the Tribe under express authorization of, federal law, to ensure compliance with federal water quality and safe drinking water standards. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those state or county health inspectors, but any alleged violations of the standards shall be treated as alleged violations of the Compact.

(c) Comply with the building and safety standards set forth in section 6.4.2.

(d) (1) The Tribe shall obtain and maintain a commercial general liability insurance policy consistent with industry standards for non-tribal casinos and underwritten by an insurer with an A.M. Best rating of A or higher ("Policy") which provides coverage of no less than ten million dollars ($10,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Facility or Gaming Activities. In order to effectuate the insurance coverage, the Tribe shall waive its right to assert sovereign immunity up to the limits of the Policy for purposes of arbitration and enforcement of any ensuing award or judgment in accordance with the tribal ordinance referenced in subdivision (d)(2) below, in connection with any claim for bodily injury, property damage, or personal injury, or any judgment resulting therefrom, arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Facility, including, but not limited to, injuries resulting from entry onto the Tribe's land for purposes of patronizing the Gaming Facility or providing goods or services to the Gaming Facility; provided, however, that nothing herein requires the Tribe to agree to liability for punitive damages or to waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection therewith. The Policy shall acknowledge that the Tribe has waived its right to assert sovereign immunity for the purpose of arbitration of those claims up to the limits of the Policy referred to above and for the purpose of enforcement of any ensuing award or judgment and shall include an endorsement providing that the insurer shall not invoke tribal sovereign immunity up to said limits of the Policy; however, such endorsement or acknowledgement shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe’s sovereign immunity beyond the policy limits.
(2) Prior to the effective date of this Compact, the Tribe shall adopt, and at all times hereafter shall maintain in continuous force, an ordinance that provides for the following:

(A) The ordinance shall provide that California tort law shall govern all claims of bodily injury, property damage, or personal injury arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Facility or the Gaming Activities, including, but not limited to, injuries resulting from entry onto the Tribe’s land for purposes of patronizing the Gaming Facility or providing goods or services to the Gaming Facility, provided that California law governing punitive damages need not be a part of the ordinance.

(B) Said ordinance shall also expressly provide for waiver of the Tribe’s right to assert sovereign immunity with respect to the arbitration of such claims but only up to the limits of the Policy; provided, however, such endorsement or acknowledgement shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe’s sovereign immunity beyond the policy limits.

(C) Said ordinance shall provide for the Tribe’s consent to binding arbitration before a single arbitrator who shall be a retired judge in accordance with the comprehensive arbitration rules and procedures of JAMS (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent) to the extent of the limits of the Policy, that discovery in the arbitration proceedings shall be governed by section 1283.05 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, that the Tribe shall initially bear the cost of JAMS and the arbitrator, but the arbitrator may award costs to the prevailing party not to exceed those allowable in a suit in California Superior Court, and that any party dissatisfied with the award of the arbitrator may at the party’s election invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent), provided that the party making such election must bear all costs and expenses of JAMS and the arbitrators associated with the Appeal Procedure regardless of the outcome. To effectuate its consent to the foregoing arbitration procedure, the Tribe shall, in the exercise of its sovereignty, waive its right to assert its sovereign immunity in connection with the arbitrator’s jurisdiction and in any action to (1) enforce the parties’ obligation to arbitrate, (2) confirm, correct, modify,
or vacate the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or
(3) enforce or execute a judgment based upon said award.

(D) The ordinance may also require that the claimant first
exhaust the Tribe’s administrative remedies for resolving
the claim (hereinafter the “Tribal Dispute Process”) in
accordance the following standards: The claimant must
bring his or her claim within 180 days of receipt of written
notice of the Tribal Dispute Process as long as notice
thereof is served personally on the claimant or by certified
mail with an executed return receipt by the claimant and the
180-day limitation period is prominently displayed on the
front page of said notice. The ordinance may provide that
any arbitration shall be stayed until the completion of the
Tribal Dispute Process or 180 days from the date the claim
is filed, whichever first occurs, unless the parties mutually
agree to a longer period.

(3) Upon notice that a claimant claims to have suffered an injury or
damage covered by this section, the Tribe shall provide notice by
personal service or certified mail, return receipt requested, that the
claimant is required within the specified limitation period to first
exhaust the Tribal Dispute Resolution Process, if any, and if
dissatisfied with the resolution, entitled to arbitrate his or her
claim.

(4) Failure to comply with this section 10.2, subdivision (d), shall be
deemed a material breach of the Compact.

(e) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than federal workplace
and occupational health and safety standards; the Gaming Operation will
allow for inspection of Gaming Facility workplaces by state inspectors,
during normal hours of operation, to assess compliance with these
standards, unless inspections are regularly made by an agency of the
United States government to ensure compliance with federal workplace
and occupational health and safety standards. Nothing herein shall be
construed as submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those state
inspectors, but any alleged violations of the standards shall be treated as
alleged violations of this Compact.

(f) Comply with tribal codes and other applicable federal law regarding
public health and safety.

(g) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than federal laws and
state laws forbidding employers generally from discriminating in the
employment of persons to work for the Gaming Operation or in the
Gaming Facility on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability; provided that nothing herein shall preclude the tribe from giving a preference in employment to Indians, pursuant to a duly adopted tribal ordinance.

(h) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than state laws prohibiting a gaming enterprise from cashing any check drawn against a federal, state, county, or city fund, including but not limited to, Social Security, unemployment insurance, disability payments, or public assistance payments.

(i) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than state laws, if any, prohibiting a gaming enterprise from providing, allowing, contracting to provide, or arranging to provide alcoholic beverages, or food or lodging for no charge or at reduced prices at a gambling establishment or lodging facility as an incentive or enticement.

(j) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than state laws, if any, prohibiting extensions of credit.

(k) Comply with provisions of the Bank Secrecy Act, P.L. 91-508, October 26, 1970, 31 U.S.C. §§ 5311-5314, as amended, and all reporting requirements of the Internal Revenue Service, insofar as such provisions and reporting requirements are applicable to casinos.

Sec. 10.2.1. The Tribe shall adopt and, not later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Compact, shall provide to the State Gaming Agency the standards described in subdivisions (a) through (c) and (e) through (k) of section 10.2 to which the Gaming Operation is held. In the absence of a promulgated tribal standard in respect to a matter identified in those subdivisions, or the express adoption of an applicable federal statute or regulation in lieu of a tribal standard in respect to any such matter, the applicable state statute or regulation shall be deemed to have been adopted by the Tribe as the applicable standard.

Sec. 10.3. Participation in State Statutory Programs Related to Employment.

(a) In lieu of permitting the Gaming Operation to participate in the state statutory workers’ compensation system, the Tribe may create and maintain a system that provides redress for employee work-related injuries through requiring insurance or self-insurance, which system must include a scope of coverage, availability of an independent medical examination, right to notice, hearings before an independent tribunal, a means of enforcement against the employer, and benefits comparable to those mandated for comparable employees under state law. Not later than the effective date of this Compact, the Tribe will advise the State of its election to participate in the statutory workers’ compensation system or,
alternatively, will forward to the State all relevant ordinances that have been adopted and all other documents establishing the system and demonstrating that the system is fully operational and compliant with the comparability standard set forth above. The Tribe shall provide to claimants, potential claimants, and their chosen representatives, upon request, all relevant ordinances, standards, rules and procedures applicable to the Tribe's system. The parties agree that independent contractors doing business with the Tribe must comply with all state workers' compensation laws and obligations.

(b) The Tribe agrees that its Gaming Operation will participate in the State's program for providing unemployment compensation benefits and unemployment compensation disability benefits with respect to employees employed at the Gaming Facility, including compliance with the provisions of the California Unemployment Insurance Code, and the Tribe consents to the jurisdiction of the state agencies charged with the enforcement of that Code and of the courts of the State of California for purposes of enforcement.

(c) As a matter of comity, with respect to persons employed at the Gaming Facility, other than members of the Tribe, the Tribal Gaming Operation shall withhold all taxes due to the State as provided in the California Unemployment Insurance Code and the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall forward such amounts as provided in said Codes to the State.

Sec. 10.4. Emergency Service Accessibility. The Tribe shall make reasonable provisions for adequate emergency fire, medical, and related relief and disaster services for patrons and employees of the Gaming Facility.

Sec. 10.5. Alcoholic Beverage Service. Standards for alcohol service shall be subject to applicable law.

Sec. 10.6. Firearms. Possession of firearms shall be prohibited at all times in the Gaming Facility except for state, local, or tribal security or law enforcement personnel authorized by tribal law and by federal or state law to possess firearms at the Facility.

Sec. 10.7. Labor Relations. In light of the fact that the Tribe entered into a collective bargaining agreement with a labor organization before the enactment of its Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance ("TLRO"), which governs the organizational and representational rights of the employees at the Tribal Casino and Gaming Facility, and in light of the fact that the Tribe has renewed said collective bargaining agreement, the parties agree that no change in the TRLO is necessary to address employee rights. The existence of such a long-standing positive relationship between the Tribe and the labor organization that represents its employees is a critical component of the terms and conditions of this Compact.
Sec. 10.8. Off-Reservation Impact(s).

Sec. 10.8.1. Tribal Environmental Impact Report.

(a) Before the commencement of the Project as defined in section 10.8.7 herein, the Tribe shall cause to be prepared a tribal environmental impact report, which is hereinafter referred to as a TEIR, analyzing the potentially significant off-reservation environmental impacts of the Project pursuant to the process set forth in this section 10.8; provided, however, that information or data which is relevant to such a TEIR and is a matter of public record or is generally available to the public need not be repeated in its entirety in such TEIR, but may be specifically cited as the source for conclusions stated therein; and provided further that such information or data shall be briefly described, that its relationship to the TEIR shall be indicated, and that the source thereof shall be reasonably available for inspection at a public place or public building. The TEIR shall provide detailed information about the Significant Effect(s) on the Off-Reservation Environment which the Project is likely to have, including each of the matters set forth in Appendix B, shall list ways in which the Significant Effects on the Environment might be minimized, and shall include a detailed statement setting forth all of the following:

(1) All Significant Effects on the Environment of the proposed Project;

(2) In a separate section:

(A) Any Significant Effect on the Environment that cannot be avoided if the Project is implemented;

(B) Any Significant Effect on the Environment that would be irreversible if the Project is implemented;

(3) Mitigation measures proposed to minimize Significant Effects on the Environment, including, but not limited to, measures to reduce the wasteful, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of energy;

(4) Alternatives to the Project; provided that the Tribe need not address alternatives that would cause it to forgo its right to engage in the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact on its Indian lands;

(5) Whether any proposed mitigation would be feasible;

(6) Any direct growth-inducing impacts of the Project; and
(7) Whether the proposed mitigation would be effective to substantially reduce the potential Significant Effects on the Environment.

(b) In addition to the information required pursuant to subdivision (a), the TEIR shall also contain a statement briefly indicating the reasons for determining that various effects of the Project on the off-reservation environment are not significant and consequently have not been discussed in detail in the TEIR. In the TEIR, the direct and indirect Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment, including each of the items on Appendix B, shall be clearly identified and described, giving due consideration to both the short-term and long-term effects. The discussion of mitigation measures shall describe feasible measures which could minimize significant adverse effects, and shall distinguish between the measures that are proposed by the Tribe and other measures proposed by others. Where several measures are available to mitigate an effect, each should be discussed and the basis for selecting a particular measure should be identified. Formulation of mitigation measures should not be deferred until some future time. The TEIR shall also describe a range of reasonable alternatives to the Project or to the location of the Project, which would feasibly attain most of the basic objectives of the Project and which would avoid or substantially lessen any of the Significant Effects on the Environment, and evaluate the comparative merits of the alternatives; provided that the Tribe need not address alternatives that would cause it to forgo its right to engage in the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact on its Indian lands. The TEIR must include sufficient information about each alternative to allow meaningful evaluation, analysis, and comparison. The TEIR shall also contain an index or table of contents and a summary, which shall identify each Significant Effect on the Environment with proposed measures and alternatives that would reduce or avoid that effect, and issues to be resolved, including the choice among alternatives and whether and how to mitigate the Significant Effects on the Environment. Previously approved land use documents, including, but not limited to, general plans, specific plans, and local coastal plans, may be used in cumulative impact analysis. The Tribe shall consider any recommendations from the Board of Supervisors of the San Diego County ("County") concerning the person or entity to prepare the TEIR.

Sec. 10.8.2. Notice of Preparation of Draft TEIR.

(a) Upon commencing the preparation of the draft TEIR, the Tribe shall issue a Notice of Preparation to the State Clearinghouse in the State Office of Planning and Research ("State Clearinghouse") and to the County for distribution to the public. The Notice shall provide all Interested Persons with information describing the Project and its potential Significant
Effects on the Environment sufficient to enable Interested Persons to make a meaningful response or comment. At a minimum, the Notice shall include all of the following information:

(1) A description of the Project;

(2) The location of the Project shown on a detailed map, preferably topographical, and on a regional map; and

(3) The probable off-reservation environmental effects of the Project.

(b) The Notice shall also inform Interested Persons of the preparation of the draft TEIR and shall inform them of the opportunity to provide comments to the Tribe within thirty (30) days of the date of the receipt of the Notice by the State Clearinghouse and the County. The Notice shall also request Interested Persons to identify in their comments the off-reservation environmental issues and reasonable mitigation measures that the Tribe will need to have explored in the draft TEIR.

Sec. 10.8.3. Notice of Completion of the Draft TEIR.

(a) Within no less than thirty (30) days following the receipt of the Notice of Preparation by the State Clearinghouse and the County, the Tribe shall file a copy of the draft TEIR and a Notice of Completion with the State Clearinghouse, the County, and the California Department of Justice. The Notice of Completion shall include all of the following information:

(1) A brief description of the Project;

(2) The proposed location of the Project;

(3) An address where copies of the draft TEIR are available; and

(4) Notice of a period of forty-five (45) days during which the Tribe may receive comments on the draft TEIR.

(b) The Tribe will submit forty-five (45) copies of the draft TEIR and Notice of Completion to the County, which will be asked to serve in a timely manner the Notice of Completion to all Interested Persons and asked to post public notice of the draft TEIR at the office of the County Board of Supervisors and to furnish the public notice at the public libraries serving the County. In addition, the Tribe will provide public notice by at least one of the procedures specified below:

(1) Publication at least one (1) time by the Tribe in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the Project. If more than
one area is affected, the notice shall be published in the newspaper of largest circulation from among the newspapers of general circulation in those areas;

(2) Posting of notice by the Tribe in the area adjacent to, but outside, the Indian lands on which the Project is to be located; or

(3) Direct mailing by the Tribe to the owners and occupants of property adjacent to, but outside, the Indian lands on which the Project is to be located. Owners of such property shall be identified as shown on the latest equalization assessment roll.

Sec. 10.8.4. Issuance of Final TEIR. The Tribe shall prepare, certify and make available to the County at least fifty-five (55) days before the completion of negotiations pursuant to section 10.8.8 a Final TEIR, which shall consist of:

(a) The draft TEIR or a revision of the draft;

(b) Comments and recommendations received on the draft TEIR either verbatim or in summary;

(c) A list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting on the draft TEIR;

(d) The responses of the Tribe to significant environmental points raised in the review and consultation process; and

(e) Any other information added by the Tribe.

Sec. 10.8.5. Cost Reimbursement. The Tribe shall reimburse the County for copying and mailing costs resulting from making the Notice of Preparation, Notice of Completion, and Draft TEIR available to the public under this section 10.8.

Sec. 10.8.6. Remedy Where No TEIR. The Tribe’s failure to prepare a TEIR when required may warrant an injunction where appropriate.

Sec. 10.8.7. Definitions. For purposes of this section 10.8, the following terms shall be defined as set forth in this subdivision.

(a) “Project” means any activity occurring on Indian lands after the effective date of this Compact, a principal purpose of which is to serve the Tribe’s Gaming Activities or Gaming Operation, and which may cause either a direct physical change in the off-reservation environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the off-reservation environment. This definition shall be understood to include, but not be limited to, any increase in the gaming area within the Tribe’s Gaming Facility existing as
of the effective date of this Compact that increases the total gaming area to more than 133,000 square feet, the impacts of which have not previously been addressed in a TEIR as described in this section 10.8, and the construction or planned expansion of any Gaming Facility and related improvement thereto, and any other construction or planned expansion, a principal purpose of which is to serve a Gaming Facility, including, but not limited to, access roads, parking lots, a hotel, utility or waste disposal systems, or water supply, as long as such construction or expansion causes a direct or indirect physical change in the off-reservation environment. The parties understand that the Tribe and the County have operated under standards developed by the County regarding the relationship between the size of a Gaming Facility and the potential environmental impact arising from the activity within that Gaming Facility. To the extent that a planned activity may cause either a direct physical change in the off-reservation environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the off-reservation environment, the nature or scope of which was not contemplated by the existing standards, the activity is a Project for purposes of this Compact.

(b) “Significant Effect(s) on the Environment” is the same as “Significant Effect(s) on the Off-Reservation Environment” and occur(s) if any of the following conditions exist:

(1) A proposed Project has the potential to degrade the quality of the offreservation environment, curtail the range of the environment, or to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals.

(2) The possible effects on the off-reservation environment of a Project are individually limited but cumulatively considerable. As used herein, “cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of an individual Project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effect of probable future projects.

(3) The off-reservation environmental effects of a Project will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

For purposes of this definition, reservation refers to Indian lands within the meaning of IGRA or lands otherwise held for the Tribe in trust by the United States.

(c) “Interested Persons” means
all local, state, and federal agencies, which, if a Project were not taking place on Indian lands, would have responsibility for approving the project or would exercise authority over the natural resources that may be affected by the Project, or

persons, groups, or agencies that request in writing a notice of preparation of a draft TEIR or have commented on the Project in writing to the Tribe or the County.

Sec. 10.8.8. Intergovernmental Agreement. Before the commencement of a Project, and no later than the issuance of the Final TEIR to the County, the Tribe shall offer to commence negotiations with the County, and upon the County’s acceptance of the Tribe’s offer, shall negotiate with the County and shall enter into an enforceable written agreement with the County with respect to the matters set forth below:

(a) Provisions providing for the timely mitigation of any Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment (which effects may include, but are not limited to, aesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, water resources, land use, mineral resources, traffic, noise, utilities and service systems, and cumulative effects), where such effect is attributable, in whole or in part, to the Project unless the parties agree that the particular mitigation is infeasible, taking into account economic, environmental, social, technological, or other considerations.

(b) Provisions relating to compensation for law enforcement, fire protection, emergency medical services and any other public services to be provided by the County to the Tribe for the purposes of the Tribe’s Gaming Operation as a consequence of the Project.

(c) Provisions providing for reasonable compensation for programs designed to address gambling addiction.

(d) Provisions providing for mitigation of any effect on public safety attributable to the Project, including any compensation to the County as a consequence thereof.

Sec. 10.8.9. Arbitration. In order to foster good government-to-government relationships and to assure that the Tribe is not unreasonably prevented from commencing a Project and benefiting therefrom, if an agreement with the County is not entered within fifty-five (55) days of the submission of the Final TEIR, or such further time as the Tribe or the County (for purposes of this section “the parties”) may mutually agree in writing, any party may demand binding arbitration before a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association as set forth herein with respect to any remaining disputes arising from, connected with, or related to the negotiation. The arbitration shall be conducted as follows: Each party shall
exchange with each other within five (5) days of the demand for arbitration its last, best written offer made during the negotiation pursuant to section 10.8.8. The arbitrator shall schedule a hearing to be heard within thirty (30) days of his or her appointment. The arbitrator shall be limited to awarding only one or the other of the two offers submitted, without modification, based upon that proposal which best provides feasible mitigation of Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment and on public services pursuant to section 10.8.8, without unduly interfering with the principal objectives of the Project or imposing environmental mitigation measures which are different in nature or scale from the type of measures that have been required to mitigate impacts of a similar scale of other projects in the surrounding area, to the extent there are such other projects. The arbitrator shall take into consideration whether the final TEIR provides the data and information necessary to enable the County to determine both whether the Project may result in a Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment and whether the proposed measures in mitigation are sufficient to mitigate any such effect. If the respondent does not participate in the arbitration, the arbitrator shall nonetheless conduct the arbitration and issue an award, and the claimant shall submit such evidence as the arbitrator may require therefor. Review of the resulting arbitration award is waived. In order to effectuate this provision, and in the exercise of its sovereignty, the Tribe agrees to waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection with the arbitrator’s jurisdiction or in any action to (a) enforce the other party’s obligation to arbitrate, (b) enforce or confirm any arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or (c) enforce or execute a judgment based upon said award.

SECTION 11.0. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF COMPACT.

Sec. 11.1. Effective Date. This Compact shall not be effective unless and until all of the following have occurred: (a) The Compact is ratified by statute in accordance with state law; and (b) Notice of approval or constructive approval is published in the Federal Register as provided in 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B).

Sec. 11.2. Term of Compact; Termination.

Sec. 11.2.1. Term. Once effective, this Compact shall be in full force and effect for State law purposes until December 31, 2030.

Sec. 11.2.2. Termination. Either party may bring an action in federal court, after providing a sixty (60) day written notice of an opportunity to cure any alleged breach of this Compact, for a declaration that the other party has materially breached this Compact. Upon issuance of such a declaration by the trial court, unless such declaration is stayed, the complaining party may unilaterally terminate this Compact upon service of written notice on the other party. In the event a federal court determines that it lacks jurisdiction over such an action, the action may be brought in the superior court for the county in which the Tribe’s Gaming Facility is located. The parties expressly waive their immunity to suit for purposes of an action under this subdivision, subject to the qualifications stated in section 9.4, subdivision (a).
SECTION 12.0. AMENDMENTS: RENEGOTIATIONS.

Sec. 12.1. Amendment by Agreement.

The terms and conditions of this Compact may be amended at any time by the mutual and written agreement of both parties, provided that each party voluntarily consents to such negotiations in writing. Any amendments to this Compact shall be deemed to supersede, supplant and extinguish all previous understandings and agreements on the subject.

Sec. 12.2. Negotiations for a New Compact.

No sooner than eighteen (18) months before the termination date of this Compact set forth in section 11.2.1, either party may request the other party to enter into negotiations to extend the term of this Compact or to enter into a new Class III Gaming compact. If the parties have not agreed to extend the term of this Compact or have not entered into a new compact by the termination date in section 11.2.1, this Compact shall automatically be extended for one (1) calendar year.

Sec. 12.3. Requests to Amend or to Negotiate a New Compact.

All requests to amend this Compact or to negotiate to extend the term of this Compact or to negotiate for a new Class III Gaming compact shall be in writing, addressed to the Tribal Chairperson or the Governor, as the case may be, and shall include the activities or circumstances to be negotiated, together with a statement of the basis supporting the request. If the request meets both the requirements of this section and section 12.1 for an amendment to this Compact, or the requirements of this section and section 12.2 for a new Class III Gaming compact, and all parties agree in writing to negotiate, the parties shall confer promptly and determine within forty-five (45) days of the request a schedule for commencing negotiations, and both parties shall negotiate in good faith. The Tribal Chairperson and the Governor of the State are hereby authorized to designate the person or agency responsible for conducting the negotiations, and shall execute any documents necessary to do so.

Sec. 12.4. Requests to Amend Compact if Tribe Loses Exclusivity.

In the event the exclusive right of Indian tribes to operate Gaming Devices in California is abrogated by the enactment, amendment, or repeal of a state statute or constitutional provision, or the conclusive and dispositive judicial construction of a statute or the state Constitution by a California appellate court after the effective date of this Compact, that Gaming Devices may lawfully be operated by another person, organization, or entity (other than an Indian tribe pursuant to a compact) within California, the Tribe shall have the right to: (i) termination of this Compact, in which case the Tribe will lose the right to operate Gaming Devices and other Class III Gaming, or (ii) continue under the Compact with an entitlement to a reduction of the rates specified in section 4.3 following conclusion of negotiations, to provide for (a)
compensation to the State for the reasonable costs of regulation as defined in section 4.3, subdivision (c); (b) reasonable payments to local governments impacted by tribal government gaming; (c) grants for programs designed to address gambling addiction; (d) and such assessments as may be permissible at such time under federal law.

SECTION 13.0. NOTICES.

Unless otherwise indicated by this Compact, all notices required or authorized to be served shall be served by first-class mail at the following addresses:

Governor
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814

Tribal Chairperson
Viejas Band of Kumeyaay
#1 Viejas Grade Road
Alpine, California 91901

With a Copy To:
Attorney General
Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians
5000 Willows Road
Alpine, California 91901

SECTION 14.0. CHANGES IN IGRA.

This Compact is intended to meet the requirements of IGRA as it reads on the effective date of this Compact, and when reference is made to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act or to an implementing regulation thereof, the referenced provision is deemed to have been incorporated into this Compact as if set out in full. Subsequent changes to IGRA that diminish the rights of the State or the Tribe may not be applied retroactively to alter the terms of this Compact, except to the extent that federal law validly mandates that retroactive application without the State’s or the Tribe’s respective consent.

SECTION 15.0. MISCELLANEOUS.

Sec. 15.1. Third Party Beneficiaries. Except to the extent expressly provided under this Compact, this Compact is not intended to, and shall not be construed to, create any right on the part of a third party to bring an action to enforce any of its terms.

Sec. 15.2. Complete agreement; revocation of prior requests to negotiate. This Compact, together with all addenda and approved amendments, sets forth the full and complete agreement of the parties and supersedes any prior agreements or understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.

Sec. 15.3. Construction. Neither the presence in another tribal-state compact of language that is not included in this Compact, nor the absence in this Compact of

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language that is present in another tribal-state compact shall be a factor in construing the terms of this Compact. In the event of a dispute between the parties as to the language of this Compact or the construction or meaning of any term hereof, this Compact will be deemed to have been drafted by the parties in equal parts so that no presumptions or inferences concerning its terms or interpretation may be construed against any party to this Compact.

Sec. 15.4. Tribe Representations.

(a) The Tribe expressly represents that as of the date of the undersigned's execution of this Compact the undersigned has the authority to execute this Compact on behalf of the Tribe, including any waiver of sovereign immunity and the right to assert sovereign immunity therein, and will provide written proof of such authority and of the ratification of this Compact by the tribal governing body to the Governor no later than thirty (30) days after the execution of this Compact by the undersigned.

(b) The Tribe further represents that it is (i) recognized as eligible by the Secretary of the Interior for special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians, and (ii) recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as possessing powers of self-government.

Sec. 15.5. State Reliance on Representations. In entering into this Compact, the State expressly relies upon the foregoing representations by the Tribe, and the State’s entry into the Compact is expressly made contingent upon the truth of those representations as of the date of the Tribe’s execution of this Compact. If the Tribe fails to provide written proof of the undersigned’s authority to execute this Compact or written proof of ratification by the Tribe’s governing body, the Governor shall have the right to declare this Compact null and void.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned sign this Compact on behalf of the State of California and the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor of the State of California

Executed this 12th day of August, 2014.
at Sacramento, California

ATTEST:

Debra Bowen
Secretary of State, State of California

VIEJAS BAND OF KUMEYAAY INDIANS

By Anthony R. Pico
Chairman of the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians

Executed this 6th day of August, 2014, at Alpine, California