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Honorable Joe Moses
Chairman
Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs
Reservation of Oregon
1233 Veterans Street
Warm Springs, Oregon 97761

Dear Chairman Moses:

On January 6, 1998, we received Amendment III to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact for regulation of class III gaming between the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (Tribe) and the State of Oregon (State), dated June 21, 1996. We have completed our review of this Amendment and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Federal law, or our trust responsibility. Therefore, pursuant to Section 11(d)(8)(A) of IGRA, 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A) and delegated authority in 209 DM 8.1, we approve the Amendment. The Amendment shall take effect when the notice of our approval, pursuant to Section 11(d)(3)(B) of IGRA, 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B), is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

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

Sincerely,

/S/ Kevin Gover

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Enclosure

Identical Letter Sent to: Honorable John Kitzhaber
Governor of Oregon
254 State Capitol
Salem, Oregon 97310

**TRIBAL-STATE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT COMPACT
FOR REGULATION OF CLASS III GAMING BETWEEN THE
CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE WARM SPRINGS RESERVATION
OF OREGON AND THE STATE OF OREGON**

AMENDMENT III.

This amendment is made to the Class III Gaming Compact between the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon and the State of Oregon executed on January 6, 1995, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on March 6, 1995. The terms of this amendment are in addition to and, except as specifically provided herein, do not supersede any of the provisions of the original compact, or Amendments I and II thereto.

WHEREAS, the Tribes wish to extend the terms of Amendment I and II to the Compact which provide for regulation of house banked blackjack at the gaming facility, and

WHEREAS, the State agrees that the circumstances justify this Amendment,

NOW THEREFORE, the Tribes and the State hereby approve the following amendments to the Compact:

I. Section I of Amendment II is amended as follows:


Paragraph IV of this Amendment I expires on June 30, 1997. However if the compliance review described in Section 4.H.9 of the Compact (added by this Amendment) is completed before October 1, 1996, paragraph IV of this amendment shall expire on December 31, 1997. April 30, 1998. Unless an extension of this amendment or a permanent amendment governing the operation of house banked blackjack has been negotiated and executed before the expiration of this amendment, the Tribes agree to terminate blackjack games at the gaming facility until a new agreement has been negotiated and executed. In the event that a compact amendment is under negotiation, the Tribes may replace blackjack tables with video lottery terminals at the ratio of eight terminals per blackjack table.

II. This amendment is effective as an extension under paragraph IX of Amendment II and paragraph VI of Amendment I of the Compact, upon execution by the State and the Tribes, and submission to the Secretary of the Interior. It is the intent of both the State and the Tribe that this Amendment be fully enforceable as between the parties to it from and after the date it is executed and submitted to the Secretary of the Interior, both as to the Tribe's ability to offer house banked blackjack and the State's and the Tribe's responsibility to implement the regulatory amendments contained herein.


EXECUTED as of the date and year below.

STATE OF OREGON

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE WARM
SPRINGS RESERVATION OF OREGON



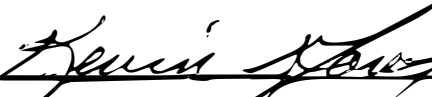
John Kitzhaber, Governor



Date: 12/30/97

Date: 12-22-97

APPROVED BY THE ASSISTANT :

By: 

Date: FEB 19 1998