

**EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE ASSINIBOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES OF THE FORT PECK
RESERVATION AND THE STATE OF MONTANA REGARDING
CLASS III GAMING ON THE FORT PECK RESERVATION**

Recitals

The State of Montana (“Montana”) and the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation (“Tribes”) entered into an Agreement (“Agreement”) dated April 6, 1992, to authorize under specific conditions Class III gaming on the Fort Peck Reservation. The Tribes and the State are continuing their good faith negotiations to agree on terms and conditions for another long-term compact.

To enable the Tribes and the State regulated operators to continue gaming on the Reservation pursuant to the existing Agreement while the parties continue to negotiate, the parties hereby agree to extend the Agreement until July 1, 2004 on the terms and conditions set forth in the existing compact between the parties as specifically amended herein. This Renewal is entered into in recognition of the purposes of economic self-determination for Indian tribes as set forth in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and in furtherance of Montana Governor Judy Martz’s Proclamation affirming the principle and integrity of government-to-government relationships between the State of Montana and federally-recognized tribes located within the borders of Montana.

Agreement

In furtherance of good relations and mutual cooperation between the parties, the parties hereby amend the Agreement pursuant to Art. VIII, ¶ B as follows.

1. Article VII. A., “Effective Date and Term,” of the existing Agreement as previously amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

This Agreement shall be effective upon execution, and shall continue in effect until July 1, 2004 unless earlier terminated in accordance with Article VII.

Before expiration of this Agreement or upon its termination, the parties may agree to the renewal of the Agreement for a term agreed upon by the parties.

2. Art. V.B.1 as previously amended in 1998 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Prize limits at tribally owned premises may not exceed a value higher than \$1500.00 for each individual award. No more than twenty (20) machines per premise shall be available for play by individual tribally-licensed operators with a maximum payout of \$800.00 for each individual award or a payout equal to that which is allowed under state law, whichever is greater.

3. Appendix A. VIDEO GAMBLING MACHINES, SECTION I. DEFINITIONS, paragraph D. is amended in part to read as follows:

D. "Video gambling machine" means a bingo machine, draw poker machine or a keno machine *or any combination of poker, keno and bingo games within the same video gambling machine cabinet.* .

All terms and conditions of the Agreement not expressly modified herein remain in full force and effect and shall govern the conditions of Class III gaming on the Reservation until July 1, 2004.

Montana and the Tribes indicate their consent to be bound to this Renewal by signature of their authorized representatives below.

ASSINIBOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES OF THE FORT PECK RESERVATION

For [Signature]
ARLYN HEADRESS, Chairman

DATE 9-11-2003

STATE OF MONTANA

[Signature]
JUDY MARTZ, Governor

DATE 9-23-03

Approved Pursuant to Montana Code Annotated § 18-11-105 (2001).

[Signature]
MIKE McGRATH, Attorney General
State of Montana

DATE 9/15/03

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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BY: _____ DATED: _____, 2003

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