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Honorable Elwood Lowery  
Tribal Chairman, Pyramid Lake Paiute Indian Tribe  
P.O. Box 256  
Nixon, Nevada 89424

Dear Chairman Wright:

On January 28, 2013, we received the Extension of the Class III Gaming Compact between the Pyramid Lake Paiute Indian Tribe and the State of Nevada (Extension). We have completed our review of the Extension and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), any other provision of Federal law that does not relate to jurisdiction over gaming on Indian lands, or the trust obligations of the United States to Indians. *See* 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(B). Therefore, pursuant to my delegated authority and Section 11 of IGRA, we approve the Extension. *See* 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A). The Extension shall take effect when the notice of our approval is published in the *Federal Register*. 25 U.S.C. §2710(d)(3)(B).

We wish the Tribe success in this economic venture.

Sincerely,

Kevin K. Washburn  
Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Enclosure

Similar Letter Sent to:      Honorable James A. Gibbons  
Governor of Nevada  
Carson City, Nevada 89710

**SECOND EXTENSION  
TO THE  
COMPACT BETWEEN  
THE PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE  
AND THE STATE OF NEVADA  
GOVERNING CLASS III GAMING**

This Second Extension is made by and between the PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE (Tribe) and the STATE OF NEVADA (State), pursuant to Public Law 100-497, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, codified at 25 U.S.C. §§ 2701-2721 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 1166-1168.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, in 2009, the Tribe and the State entered into a Tribal-State Gaming Compact (Compact), a copy of which is attached and made a part hereof, to provide a regulatory framework for the operation of certain Class III gaming on the Indian lands of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Article X of the Compact provides in pertinent part that “[t]his Agreement shall take effect upon approval by the Secretary of the Interior (or his designee) and shall remain in effect for a period of two (2) years, provided that the term of this Agreement may be extended for additional periods of up to 20 years upon the mutual written consent of the parties and without additional approval from the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State invoked the authority provided within Article X and extended the Compact for an additional one (1) year period to expire on February 23, 2013, and to have all of the terms, conditions and requirements of the Compact remain in full force and effect, and

WHEREAS, the Tribe and the State wish to again invoke the authority provided within Article X and extend the Compact for an additional two (2) year period, and to have all of the terms, conditions and requirements of the Compact remain in full force and effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and other good and valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1. The PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE and the STATE OF NEVADA as separate sovereigns, hereby invoke the authority set forth within Article X of the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, which provides for the operation of certain Class III gaming on the Indian lands of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and extend the Compact for an additional two (2) year term to expire on February 23, 2015; and
2. All terms, conditions, requirements and obligations as set forth within the Compact as originally agreed upon by the PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE and the STATE OF NEVADA shall remain in full force and effect in all respects.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Second Extension  
to the Compact to be duly executed.

PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE OF INDIANS

[Signature]  
MERVIN WRIGHT, Jr., Tribal Chairman

Dated: 12/21/12

STATE OF NEVADA

[Signature]  
A.G. BURNETT, Gaming Control Board Chairman

Dated: 1/2/13

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BRIAN SANDOVAL, Governor

Dated: January 2, 2013

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MICHAEL E. WILSON, Chief Deputy Attorney General

Dated: 1/4/13

[Signature] for Jeff Mohlenkamp  
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Dated: 1/4/2013

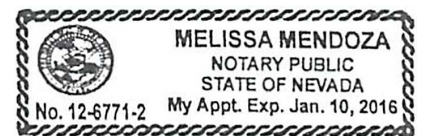
State of Nevada  
County of Washoe

This instrument was acknowledged before me

on this 4th day of January, 2013

by Michael E. Wilson, as Chief Deputy Attorney General.

[Signature]  
Notary Public



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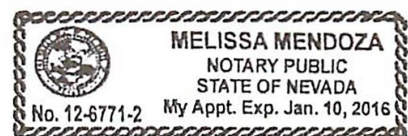
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