



TOMMY G. THOMPSON

Governor
State of Wisconsin

July 24, 1990

Dr. Eddie Brown
Assistant Secretary of the Interior
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Interior Building
18th and C Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Brown:

It is my understanding that the Forest County Potawatomi Community of Crandon, Wisconsin has asked that certain lands (the Concordia College site and the Menominee Valley site, Milwaukee, Wisconsin) be placed in trust by the United States for the Community's benefit. In their request, the Community has indicated that the Menominee Valley site will be used as a high stakes bingo operation.

Under section 20 (b)(1)A of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (P.L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2701 et. seq.) ("the Act"), the Secretary of the Interior is required to consult with tribal, state and local officials before approving a tribal trust status application. I understand the City of Milwaukee has indicated its support for this proposal by endorsing the tribe's request for trust status for the lands in question. As I have indicated in previous correspondence I am not opposed to offering my concurrence to the Secretary's determination.

Based upon the foregoing and pursuant to s. 20 (b)(1)A of the Act, I concur in the Secretary's determination that a gaming establishment on the Menominee Valley site would be in the best interest of the Indian tribe and its members, and would not be detrimental to the surrounding community, so long as limited to class II gaming.

This letter supercedes my previous letter of July 20, 1990.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Tommy G. Thompson".

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

cc: Earl Barlow, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Minneapolis
Honorable Robert W. Kasten, Jr., U.S. Senate
Honorable Herbert H. Kohl, U.S. Senate
Honorable Gerald Kleczka, U.S. House of Representatives
Honorable Jim Moody, U.S. House of Representatives