



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington, D.C. 20240

MAY 16

Honorable Edward L. Metcalf
Tribal Chairman
Coquille Tribe of Indians
295 S. 10th
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

Dear Chairman Metcalf:

On April 4, 2000, we received Amendment VI to the Tribal-State Compact for Regulation of Class III Gaming between the Coquille Tribe of Indians (Tribe) and the State of Oregon (State), dated March 31, 2000. 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.

Notwithstanding our approval of the Amendment, we want to remind you that your Minimum Internal Control Standards must be in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Commission's regulations, set forth in 25 CFR Part 542.

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

Sincerely,

 Kevin Gover

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Enclosure

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

cc: Northwest Region w/copy of approved Amendment
Supt., Siletz Agency w/copy of approved Amendment
National Indian Gaming Commission w/copy of approved Amendment
Pacific NW Regional Field Solicitor w/copy of approved Amendment
Portland United States Attorney w/copy of approved Amendment

**TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT FOR REGULATION OF
CLASS III GAMING BETWEEN The
Coquille Tribe of Indians
AND THE STATE OF OREGON**

AMENDMENT VI

This amendment is made to the Class III Gaming Compact between the Coquille Tribe of Indians of Oregon and the State of Oregon executed on December 8, 1994, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 16, 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, II, III, IV and V thereto.

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to extend the terms of Amendments I, II, III, IV and V 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, and

NOW THEREFORE, the Tribe and the State hereby approve the following amendment to the Compact:

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

The provisions of Section V of Amendment I expire on ~~March 31, 2000~~ December 31, 2001. Unless an extension of the provisions 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 Tribe agrees to terminate blackjack games at the gaming facility until a new agreement has been negotiated and executed.

II. Section 8A is amended to add the following language:

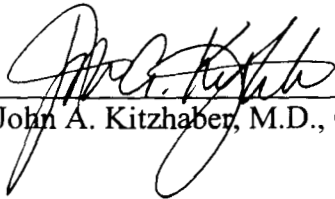
Conduct of all Class III gaming activity authorized under this Compact shall be in accordance with the requirements of this Compact and with the "Minimum Internal Control Standards" attached as the Appendix and with the Tribal Gaming Code. The Minimum Internal Control Standards may be modified or supplemented by mutual agreement of the Tribal Gaming Commission and the Oregon State Police. Subsequent amendment of this Compact shall not be necessary for that purpose. If the Oregon State Police notifies the Coquille Gaming Commission of a violation of the Minimum Internal Control Standards, the Tribal Gaming Commission will take corrective measures immediately upon such notice. Thereafter, the Tribal Gaming Commission shall meet with the Oregon State Police to discuss and identify specific measures that were and/or will be taken to bring the conduct of Class III gaming back into compliance with the Minimum Internal Control Standards within 48 hours (or such period as mutually agreed by the parties) of the notification of the violation. Failure of the Coquille Gaming Commission to bring the Class III gaming operation into compliance with the Minimum Internal Control Standards as set forth in this paragraph shall constitute a violation of the Compact.

III. This amendment is effective as an extension under Section I of Amendment III of the Compact, upon execution by the State and the Tribe, 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.

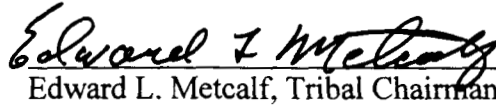
EXECUTED as of the date and year below.

STATE OF OREGON

COQUILLE TRIBE OF INDIANS
OF OREGON



John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

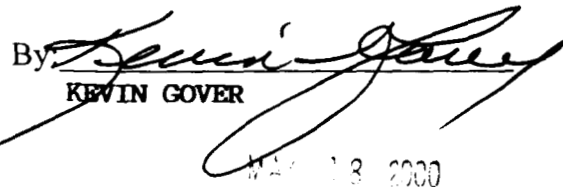


Edward L. Metcalf, Tribal Chairman

Date: 31 March 2000

Date: 03/28/00

APPROVED BY THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY - INDIAN AFFAIRS

By: 

KEVIN GOVER

Date: MAY 13 2000

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