



July 6, 2005

A.D. Ellis
Principal Chief, Muskogee (Creek) Nation
P.O. Box 580
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Re: Amendment to the Muskogee (Creek) Nation's Gaming Ordinance;
NCA 05-051

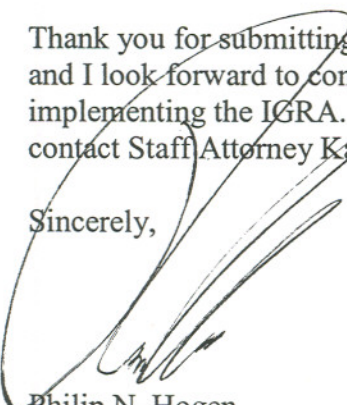
Dear Principal Chief Ellis:

This letter is in response to your request that the National Indian Gaming Commission ("NIGC") review and approve a recent amendment to the Muskogee (Creek) Nation's gaming ordinance. The amendment, NCA 05-051, was adopted on March 19, 2005, and approved on March 28, 2005, by the National Council of the Muskogee (Creek) Nation. The amendment was received by the NIGC on April 20, 2005.

The Chairman of the NIGC approved the Nation's original gaming ordinance on November 3, 1994, and an amended ordinance on February 22, 2002. This letter constitutes approval of the submitted amendment, NCA 05-051, under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. § 2701 *et seq.*

Thank you for submitting the amendment for our review and approval. The NIGC staff and I look forward to continuing to work with you and the Muskogee (Creek) Nation in implementing the IGRA. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Staff Attorney Katherine Zebell at (202) 632-7003.

Sincerely,



Philip N. Hogen
Chairman

cc: Acting Attorney General Shannon Cozzoni



I hereby certify that I am the designated, qualified Tribal Secretary of the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. I further certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original Law NCA Executed the 28 day of March 2005.
Duke N. C. C.
Secretary of the National Council

NCA 05-051

CLASSIFICATION: #21. GAMING

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 21, § 4-102, ALLOWING FOR MILEAGE AND STIPENDS FOR GAMING OPERATIONS AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND MILEAGE FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Be It Enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

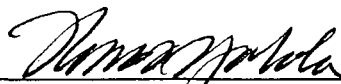
SECTION ONE. AMENDMENT. MCNCA Title 21, §4-102 is hereby amended to read as follows:

F. Stipends/ Mileage. Gaming Operations Authority Board Members, except the ex-officio National Council member, shall receive a stipend of \$125.00 for attendance at each duly called meeting of the Board or duly called meeting of the National Council, provided that to receive a stipend for attendance at a National Council meeting the Board's attendance must be requested either by the Speaker, Chairperson of the Business & Governmental Committee or the Principal Chief. In addition to a stipend, Board members shall receive mileage for attendance at meetings, conferences, and site visits to gaming facilities under the GOAB's jurisdiction, provided attendance is in furtherance of a valid function of the Board. All mileage reimbursement shall be at the Nation's current rate in accordance with the Nation's travel policies and procedures.

SECTION TWO. EFFECTIVE DATE. The effective date of this amendment shall be the date of approval by the National Indian Gaming Commission; on the date the National Indian Gaming Commission determines that approval of the amendment is not necessary; or in the absence of issuance of approval or disapproval by the National Indian Gaming Commission, ninety (90) days from the date of submission of this amendment to the National Indian Gaming Commission, whichever date occurs first.

ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 19th day of March 2005.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.



Thomas Yahola, Speaker
National Council
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of twenty-six members with Nineteen members attending this meeting on the 19th day of March 2005, and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of 16 in favor, 2 against, 0 abstentions, and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.



Terry Cook, Recording Secretary
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature this 28 day of March, 2005, to the above Law, **NCA 05-051**, authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.



A D. Ellis, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

