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**MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2009
COMMISSION MEETING**

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Dean Shelton called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken with Chairman Dean Shelton and Commissioners Stephanie Shimazu, and Alexandra Vuksich present.

3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for: June 23, 2009 & July 9, 2009

Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the minutes for June 23 and July 9, 2009.

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff had received a request from Station California, LLC to table their Item 12C. The Commissioners concurred and Item 12C was tabled until the September 10, Commission meeting.

4. State Gambling License of George Hardie, Jr. (Determination of Continuing Eligibility Under Business and Professions Code sections 19856, 19857 and 19859):

Diamond Jim's Casino: Wizard Gaming, Inc.
George Hardie, Jr., Beneficiary Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated this item was for the Commissioners to determine the continuing eligibility of Mr. George Hardie, Jr. and the Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust as endorsees on the state gambling license of Wizard Gaming, Inc. due to a felony conviction reportedly sustained by Mr. Hardie, Jr. in Mexico.

Deputy Director Tina Littleton further indicated that staff recommended that the Commission place a new condition on the Wizard Gaming, Inc. license as follows:

- Until the Commission has had an opportunity to make an informed decision regarding the reported “felony conviction” of George Hardie Jr., beneficiary of the Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust (Trust), no funds or other assets shall be distributed from Wizard Gaming, Inc. or Diamond Jim’s Casino to the Trust or George Hardie Jr., unless approved in advance in writing by the Executive Director. This condition does not prevent the cardroom or Wizard Gaming, Inc. from distributing adequate funds to George Hardie Jr. or the Trust to satisfy the Trust’s taxes, assessment or any other obligation, which may be due and payable to the Trust from Wizard Gaming, Inc. or the cardroom’s operation.

Also, staff recommended to the Commissioners the following:

- Pursuant to B&P code sections 19930(a)(b), 19826(b)(c), and Title 4, CCR section 12550(d)(4), the Commission directs the Bureau to investigate and make a recommendation on the information received by the Commission regarding the reported “felony conviction” of George Hardie Jr. in Mexico in order to determine whether Commission action is required or whether an emergency order could be issued in order to preserve the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare.
- The Commission requests George Hardie, Jr. or his designated agent to provide the Commission and Bureau information or documents pertaining to the reported felony conviction of George Hardie Jr. and the ongoing “appeals” in Mexico so the Commission and Bureau may determine whether any action of the Commission or Bureau is required.

Norm Pierce, representing the Bureau of Gambling Control, informed the Commission that the Bureau is awaiting receipt of the certified court documents from Mexico and hope to have them by the end of the week. Upon receipt of the certified court documents, the Bureau will request their legal staff to review the out of country conviction and determine if an accusation will be filed.

Alan Isaacman representing Wizard Gaming requested that the Commission delete the following sentence from the new condition:

- *This condition does not prevent the cardroom or Wizard Gaming, Inc. from distributing adequate funds to George Hardie Jr. or the trust to satisfy the Trust’s taxes, assessment or any other obligation, which may be due and payable to the Trust from Wizard Gaming, Inc. or the cardroom’s operation.*

Harlan Goodson representing George Hardie, Jr. indicated that he was agreeable to the condition set by the Commission staff. However, he wanted to make one thing clear, that under Mexican law, there has been no felony conviction. Mr. Goodson also wanted to emphasize that the Bureau needs to thoroughly investigate the documentation to verify that California law would also see the actions of George Hardie, Jr. as a felony.

Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendations.

5. Request for Approval of Articles of Incorporation (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19881):

California Grand Casino: Lamar Wilkinson, Sole Proprietor

Staff Counsel Jesica Pandika indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the California Grand Casino's Articles of Incorporation dated June 30, 2009. Legal has reviewed the Articles of Incorporation and finds that they are in compliance with the California Gambling Control Act. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

6. Applications for Renewal of State Gambling Licenses Including All Associated Applicants and Endorsees (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19876):

A. Normandie Club: General Partnership

Gregory Miller, Partner Stephen Miller, Partner Lawrence Miller, Partner
Russell Miller, Jr., Partner

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal state gambling license for the period of September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2011.

Deputy Director Littleton further indicated that a request had been received from the designated agent, Keith Sharpe, to amend the renewal application to decrease the total number of tables. The request was to decrease the tables by 10 leaving a total of 40 tables. In consultation with the Bureau of Gambling Control, staff recommended that the Commission approve the request.

Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation including the reduction in tables to a total of 40.

B. Pastime Club: Vernon Lemings, Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission suspend the state gambling license until the owner-licensee obtains a local business license and provides written proof to the Commission.

Deputy Director Littleton further indicated that since staff's original recommendation, it has been determined that a suspension can only occur through an accusation. Since an accusation has not been filed, staff recommended that the Commissioners extend

the state gambling license through October 8, 2009, with the addition of a new condition as follows:

The owner-licensee shall not deal, operate, carry on, conduct, maintain, or expose for play any controlled game at Pastime Club until or unless a local business license has been obtained and a current state gambling license has been issued.

Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

c. Village Club: Harvey Souza, Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal state gambling license for the period of September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2011. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

7. Application for Approval for State Gambling License Including All Associated Applicants and Endorsees– Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19851 and 19869):
Lucky Chances Casino: Froilan Campana

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applicant's request to withdraw without prejudice. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

8. Request for Reconsideration (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19824(b) and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12050(c)(6):
Adam Soules

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that at the June 25, 2009, Commission meeting, the Commission denied Mr. Soules' application for a key employee portable personal license for failure to provide requested documentation. Upon notification of the Commission's decision, Mr. Soules submitted to the Commission a request for reconsideration which was based upon Mr. Soules providing the requested documentation, specifically, the Military Form DD214.

Deputy Director Tina Littleton further indicated that this item was for the Commissioners to determine if Mr. Soules reconsideration should be granted.

Mr. Adam Soules indicated that he has requested through the Navy Records to receive a copy of his discharge papers since the one received through a research company was hard to read. Mr. Soules further indicated that it would take approximately 8-12 weeks

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| Po Tong | Noi Tran | Vinh Tran |
| Vu Trinh | Tony Truong | Aaron Van Dyke |
| Vitune Visuthicho | Jason Williams | Gee Wong |
| Raymond Wong | Kenny Woo | Cui Yang |
| Chi Young | Jimmy Yu | Wei Yu |
- D. Lucky Star Gaming, Inc.:
Supervisor: Hung Lau
- E. Network Management Group, Inc.:
Supervisor: Pao Saechao
Players: Jean Abuan Elham Bakhtary Henry Dong
 Justin Haynes Jeremy Hickman Aisha Johnson
 Qitong Guan Lee Michael Ostrom Cezar Sumera
 Paula Turpo
- F. Pacific Palace, Inc.:
Players: Xi Cao Ellen Chenh Hanh Huynh Ji Shen

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that the Bureau of Gambling Control recommended that the Commission approve the applications to convert registrations to licenses for the applicants in Items 10 and 11A through 11F. Commission staff has reviewed the Bureau's reports and concurs with their recommendations. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

12. Applications for Initial Tribal-State Compact Gaming Resource Supplier Findings of Suitability (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.5):

- A. Ammonite Gaming, Inc.: A South Dakota Corporation
Bret Hamm, President / Treasurer Angel Hamm, Vice President / Secretary

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that the Bureau of Gambling Control recommended that the Commission approve the initial finding of suitability applications. Commission staff has reviewed the Bureau's reports and concurs with their recommendations; and, recommended approval for the period of August 13, 2009 through August 31, 2011. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

- B. Label Rite, Inc.: A Pennsylvania Corporation
Alice Lawler, President David Lawler, Corporate Secretary / Vice President of
Manufacturing Jack MacIvain, Vice President Sales / Marketing

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that the Bureau of Gambling Control recommended that the Commission approve the initial finding of suitability applications. Commission staff has reviewed the Bureau's reports and concurs with their recommendations; and, recommended approval for the period of August 13, 2009 through August 31, 2011. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman

Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

C. Station California, LLC: Station Casinos, Inc.* **TABLED**

13. Application for Renewal of Tribal-State Compact Gaming Resource Supplier Finding of Suitability (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.5): Lakes Entertainment, Inc.: A Minnesota Corporation *

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal finding of suitability for the period of September 1, 2009 through August 31, 2011. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

14. Application for Initial Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912):
Central Coast Casino (Grover Beach): Stacy Allard
15. Application for Renewal Work Permit (Authority Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19870):
Napa Valley Casino: Soutchay Pathoummahong
16. Applications for Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Findings of Suitability (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):
- A. Agua Caliente Casino – Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Damien Sims
 - B. Barona Valley Ranch Resort - Barona Band of Mission Indians:
Michael Aptaker
 - C. Cache Creek Casino Resort – Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians:
Mireya Garza Kathleen Mills Mario Salvani
 - D. Casino Pauma – Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma and Yuima Reservation:
George Carrasco
 - E. Chicken Ranch Bingo and Casino – Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
Zachary Goehring
 - F. Coyote Valley Casino - Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians:
Rachelle Moody Norman Runyan Laurie Strantz
 - G. Eagle Mountain Casino – Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
Baikham Ratsakhy
 - H. Fantasy Springs Casino – Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:
Dan Htwe
 - I. Jackson Rancheria Hotel & Casino – Jackson Rancheria Band of Miwuk Indians:

- Rita Burley
- J. Konocti Vista Casino – Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:
Daniel Hough David Majestic
- K. Morongo Casino Resort & Spa – Morongo Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Morongo Reservation:
William Stephens
- L. Pala Casino – Pala Band of Mission Indians:
Lilianflor Mopas
- M. Pechanga Resort and Casino – Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
Jeremy Carlson Richard Domakowski Lesha Frazier
Yvonne Hunter Jeffrey Metsker Tomasito Molina
Mircea Predeleanu Ernesto Prodigalidad Daniel Rafferty
Felix Ramirez, Jr. Karla Rubi Anthony Sauve
Dolores Silva Maria Thompson Taresa Ziemer
- N. Quechan Casino Resort - Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation:
Martin Gross
- O. Santa Ysabel Casino – Santa Ysabel Band of Diegueno Indians:
Tygre-Chrystal
Whitsey
- P. Soboba Casino - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Jason Cozart
- Q. Sycuan Casino - Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Vicente Bautista Timothy Briggs Romeo Buensuceso, Jr.
Marisela Enriquez Jeanna Evans Monica Morrison
- R. Valley View Casino – San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Khongkham Chaiyaporn
Onepeng Pundhsingh
- S. Win-River Casino – Redding Rancheria:
Richard Gunter Cynthia Perez
17. Applications for Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Findings of Suitability (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):
- A. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians:
Yesenia Aguilera
- B. Black Oak Casino – Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:
Kenneth Anderson Russell Morales
- C. Cher-Ae-Heights Casino – Cher-Ae-Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria:
William Mills Lorelle Strouss
- D. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino – Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians:
Jerry Lee Ignacio Nevarez Suzanne Phillips

- E. Colusa Casino and Bingo – Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:
Don Powell
- F. Diamond Mountain Casino – Susanville Indian Reservation:
Davon Joseph Rosa Mullen
- G. Eagle Mountain Casino – Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
Clinton Gibson Deanna Gonzales
- H. Fantasy Springs Casino – Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:
Kathleen leVasseur
- I. Jackson Rancheria Hotel & Casino – Jackson Rancheria Band of Miwuk Indians:
Ruben Casillas Derek Hall Deborah Pannell
Cody Rice Timothy Walker
- J. La Posta Casino – La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the La Posta Indian Reservation:
Patricia Devine
- K. Morongo Casino Resort & Spa – Morongo Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Morongo Reservation:
Christina Gernux Thomas Gibbs Dean Kim
Howard Lee Paul Lindemann Patricia Miller
Micheal Neal Danette Perrotta Richard Williams
- L. Red Earth Casino – Torres-Martinez Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians:
Humberto Garcia Rosario Lopez Nancy Quiroz
- M. River Rock Casino – Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:
Winton Belcher
- N. Soboba Casino - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Elena Carriere Kari Culjak Jeremie Nolan
Gustavo Reyes
- O. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
Anna Martinez Maria Sandoval
- P. Sycuan Casino - Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Liza Marie Rose Buensuceso Paul Chant Tammi Hays
Robert Jaboro Zulia Juarez Adam Morris
Aarie Ostern Christina Saykham Danny Wong
- Q. Tachi Palace Hotel & Casino – Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria:
Victoria Martinez
- R. Viejas Casino & Turf Club - Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians:
Joseph Apparito Kevin Gray Maniphone Phengmixay
Vicky Senephoumy

Deputy Director Tina Littleton indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve **agenda items 14, 15, 16, and 17**. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission approved the staff recommendation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public during this portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Shimazu and Vuksich voting yes, the meeting adjourned at 10: 52 a.m.