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To: mgccomments (MGC)
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Dear Chairman and Commisioners of the MGC,

I would like to start by thanking you for accepting input on this very important issue. I feel as though you have done an exceptional job in regards to transparency, and care for the residents of this great state. Your management thus far of the process makes me confident that you will effectively administer the legislation, and regulate the casinos that will soon be built across the Commonwealth.

That being said, it is that same confidence that turns into fear for the lack of regulatory oversight this same commission will have over a tribal casino. With all other issues aside, that very fact alone concerns me dearly.

I write to you today to make 2 points. The first point is that it is imperative to the region that you accept bids from commercial developers. I think that in doing so, you will be able to clearly identify the benefits of a commercial casino over that of a tribal. I think that we as a state have done a fair job and gave sufficient time for a tribal casino to take hold, but facing the facts that the Mashpee Wampanoag will NEVER get land into trust is imperative. It is imperative not only to the Gaming Commission and the Commonwealth, but to the residents, municipalities, and businesses of Region C.

The other item in which I would like to point out, to help you in coming to a decision on how to move forward with the region is that even if the Mashpee Wampanoag do get their land in trust application approved, I want to make it very clear to you that I will be among the first of at least a few local residents to file suit, halting any and all development until the higher court has made a decision. This has been done as in the Patchak decision (Doc. #11-247). Even in the absence of my lawsuit, it is evident that others in the region, including businesses, will likely file suit as well.

Please understand that I do not mean this as a threat of any means, simply as a reminder that there are too many uncertainties with allowing this tribe more and more time to meet the requirements under IGRA, and the expanded gaming legislation, and this will hold up the region indefinitely until this very commission, with their rightful jurisdiction, decides to open the region and show the tribe that

the only thing "inevitable" about their casino is the fact that it will never come, and that the members of the tribe, along with their children will forever be indebted by this horse and pony show.

I thank you again for allowing the residents of this great state to be a part of the process, and wish you all a very merry holiday season.

Best Regards,

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