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The Honorable James Vickerman  
Minnesota State Senator  
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The Honorable James Rhodes  
Minnesota State Representative  
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*Re: Report to the Legislature on the Status of Indian Gaming*

Dear Senator Vickerman and Representative Rhodes:

This report is submitted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 3.9221, subdivision 5 (2002), which provides:

[t]he governor, attorney general and the governor's designated representative shall report to the House and Senate committees having jurisdiction over gambling regulation . . . [t]his report shall contain information on compacts negotiated, and an outline of prospective negotiations.

The statute was amended in 1995 and specifies:

[i]f the governor appoints designees to negotiate under this subdivision, the designees must include at least two members of the Senate and two members of the House of Representatives; two of whom must be the chairs of the Senate and House of Representatives standing committees with jurisdiction over gambling policy.

Minn. Stat. § 3.9221, subd. 2 (2002). Because there have been no formal requests to negotiate further compacts pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (hereinafter "IGRA") and no formal requests to renegotiate existing compacts, there has been no need to appoint designees for negotiating purposes.

Also because no formal requests were received, we report that no compact negotiations required by IGRA took place during 2003 nor are any pending.



TIM PAWLENTY  
Governor

Sincerely,



MIKE HATCH  
Attorney General

