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Gaming Commission Sets Meeting Date

Jefferson City, Missouri, Thursday, August 27, 2004. Today the Missouri Gaming Commission announced that it would meet on September 1, 2004, at noon, at the Hilton Hotel in Frontenac (St. Louis County) to discuss the prioritization of proposals for new riverboat casino facilities in the St. Louis metropolitan area. The meeting had been previously scheduled for July 8th but was postponed after the Commission chairman announced that commissioners would need additional time to examine the investigative report and materials the staff had compiled for their review. The postponement was extended when one of the Commissioners was not available until early September.

Meeting Date Set

Kevin Mullally, Executive Director for the Commission stated that during the meeting the staff will provide the Commission and the public with a summary of the staff's findings in reviewing the materials submitted by the gaming companies. There will be no opportunities for public comment at the meeting since the Commission has heard extensive testimony from the public, local government officials and gaming companies in the months leading up to this report.