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Missouri Gaming Commission Approves Resolution to Accept Applications for Sugar Creek

Jefferson City, Missouri, February 20, 2007- The Missouri Gaming Commission has determined to continue its consideration of a riverboat gaming casino in the Sugar Creek area.

Executive Director Gene McNary says "individuals or entities interested in applying for a license in the Sugar Creek area need to submit applications by March 11th. The Commission can then determine whether an applicant makes a quality proposal which is viewed as being in the best interest of the State."

In other action, the Commission approved placing all 18 persons on Illinois' Exclusion List on Missouri's Exclusion List. In the future, any person added to Illinois' list is automatically added to Missouri's Exclusion List.

Also added to Missouri's list is Peter Joseph Ribaste of Kansas City, Missouri. Ribaste was convicted in 1989 of one count of mail fraud, one count of making a false statement to a federally insured institution and one count of making a false statement to a federal agency. In 1998 Ribaste was convicted of one count of attempting to evade or defeat paying income tax in the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri.

There are now 29 people on Missouri's Exclusion List. A complete list can be viewed at www.mgc.dps.mo.gov