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MGC Approves Pinnacle/Ameristar Change of Control

St. Louis, Missouri- the Missouri Gaming Commission has approved the petition for change of control filed by Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. and Ameristar Casinos, Inc. and the merger between the two companies. Pinnacle filed the petition on December 28, 2012.

MGC Chairman Dr. Barrett Hatches says" The Commission has conducted a thorough investigation, and we gathered information from many sources. Our final step was to listen to input from the public. We feel confident our actions are in the best interest of the State of Missouri."

The action is contingent on several conditions set forth by the Federal Trade Commission. One such condition is Pinnacle will sell and divest itself of Lumiere Place Casino and Hotels in downtown St. Louis.

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