

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slot operators:

Name: Gregory D. Pence D.M.D.	
Address:_	
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Telephon	
Organization, if any: No Casino Tobyhanna Township	
Employer: Self	
COMMENTS: (Please use second page if more space is required)	
Please see attached letter and Exhibit	- 21

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May 31, 2006

Office of the Clerk Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

To the Members of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board:

Please accept these comments for inclusion in the evidentiary record as a supplemental report to my testimony on April 27, 2006, concerning Category 2 applicant, Pocono Manor Investors.

On April 18, 2006, prior to my testimony in opposition to Pocono Manor Investors (PMI), I received a letter from Marc R. Wolf, the attorney for PMI that has represented their interests in Tobyhanna Township, the proposed location for the Pocono Manor Casino. I am enclosing a copy of this letter and have labeled it Exhibit 21.

The letter states that I have encroached upon a part of PMI's property which lies between my two lots. The alleged encroachment is a 12 foot wide "row" that separates the two lots. The encroachment is stated as consisting of a driveway and landscape area but actually is a 10 foot high retaining wall that was constructed by the original owner 90-100 years ago.

The next day, April 19, 2006 PMI's surveyor delineated the property lines. The letter then advises that I can expect discussion of "necessary remediation and removal of the encroachment". The letter also states that our vehicles have blocked the road or made it difficult to traverse. We have never done this, knowing that we have a neighbor who accesses this road daily. As of the date of these comments I have received no further written communication from PMI.

On March 20, 2006, I publicly announced the formation of the grass roots community group, No Casino Tobyhanna Township, and have since been a leader, organizer, and spokesperson in the effort to oppose Pocono Manor as a location for a Category 2 slots license.

It is no coincidence that I received this letter from PMI on April 18, 2006, just 9 days prior to my testimony at the public input hearing of April 27, 2006. Since this letter has no merit and the 12 foot "row" is of no consequence to PMI compared to their vast acreage, this was and is clearly an attempt to intimidate me. This letter is even cc'd to James M. Cahill, a principal of PMI.

I feel it is vitally important to convey this information to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board as it brings into question the character of the applicant.

Sincerely,

MO. Kewe, MD. Gregory D. Pence, D.M.D.

Exhibit 21

LAW OFFICES

NEWMAN, WILLIAMS, MISHKIN, CORVELEYN, WOLFE & FARERI

RONALD J. MISHKIN TODD R. WILLIAMS DANIEL M. CORVELEYN MARC R. WOLFE JAMES V. FARERI * GERARD J. GEIGER VINCENT RUBINO DAVID L. HORVATH AARON M. D&ANGELO STEVEN R. SAVOIA **

MEMBER OF NJ AND PA BAR

April 17, 2006

OF COUNSEL SAMUEL W. NEWMAN

Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Pence

RE: Our File No. 39302

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Pence:

Please be advised that Pocono Manor Investors, LP ("PMI") which purchased the Pocono Manor property in December, 2005 recently received the results of a survey of a portion of its property. I am advised that the survey disclosed that you have encroached upon a part of PMI's property which lies between your lots as depicted on the enclosed drawing. I have been advised that the encroachment consists of a driveway and landscape area.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that PMI's surveyor will be visiting the area in question to delineate the property lines in the field. Once the surveyor's work is complete the extent of the encroachment will then be clear. Thereafter, PMI will then discuss with you the necessary remediation and removal of the encroachment.

In addition, PMI has advised me that you or visitors to your home from time to time park cars in the right-of-way of Cliff Road in a manner that either blocks the road or makes the road difficult for other vehicles to traverse. Please ensure that you and your visitors consistently park in a manner that Cliff Road is passable at all times for vehicular ingress and egress by other residents as well as by fire and emergency vehicles.

Thank you for your attention to these issues and for your anticipated cooperation in resolving these matters.

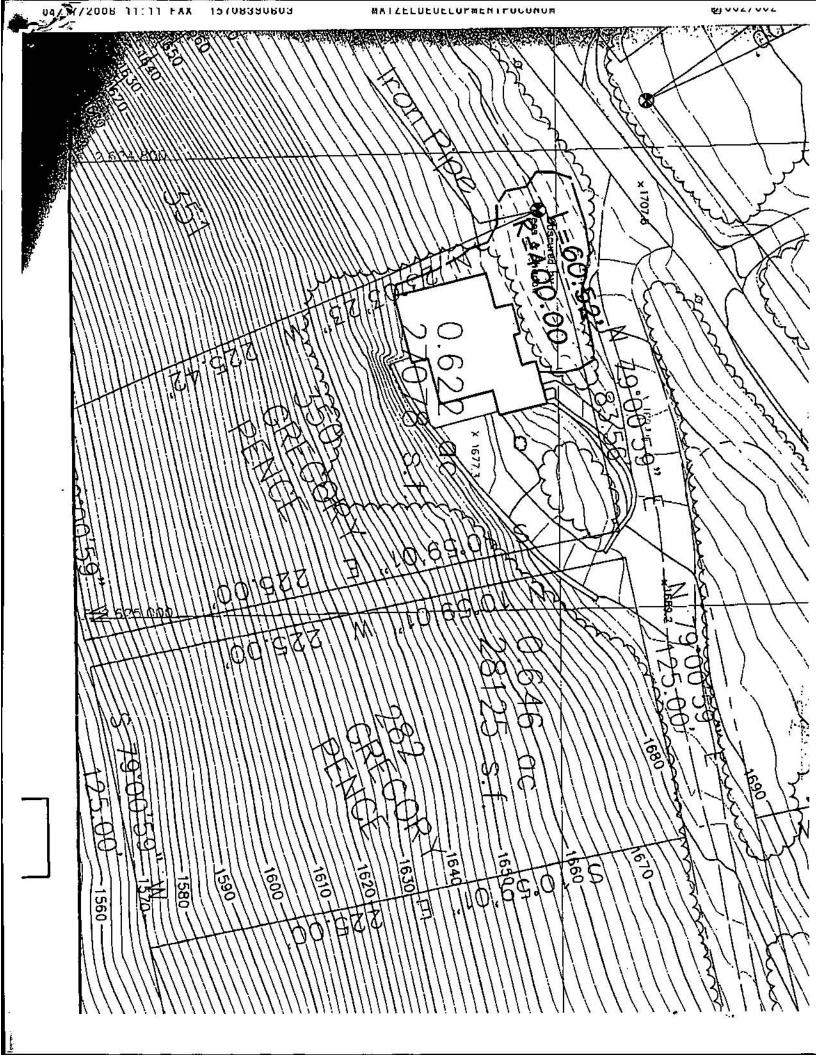
Very truly yours,

Marc R. Wolfe

MRW/aml Enclosure

cc: James M. Cahill, PLS, PP, w/out enc.

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Name: DONNA FLEMING
Address:
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Telephon
Organization, if any: Pocono PINES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC
Employer: NA
COMMENTS: (Please use second page if more space is required)
To the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board:
Please accept these comments for inclusion in the evidentiary record as a supplemental report to my testimony of April 27 th 2006 at split rock lodge concerning the Category 2 Applicant—Pocono Manor Investors ("PMI"),

In the testimony by Mr. Matzel, on behalf of PMI, he stated and I quote "We too, like our competitor, have the existing permits in place for sewer and water. We will not be exceeding our existing permits ..." He goes on to say, and I quote "We have about 160K gallons a day permit currently—we will be utilizing spray irrigation onsite..."

As you may well be aware, Mr. Matzel misspoke, his current permit is 140K and Phase One will have a discharge of 400K or more. PMI will need to apply for an amended permit that will allow them to increase their discharge within a stream or land application, i.e., spray irrigation. In speaking with the sewage enforcement officer at the D.E.P., I confirmed the permit requirement for any discharge by spray irrigation or any other disposal above and beyond the 140K currently permitted to the pre-existing Pocono Manor.

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The Sewage Enforcement Officer also stated that the permit (application) is a product of the planning process to be submitted to the township. As of 05/30/06, (with regard to the proposed casino) no plans have been submitted to Tobyhanna Township or Pocono Township, nor have any permit applications been submitted to either zoning officers or the sewage officers of these townships. (The D.E.P. permitting process is not quick, even without opposition, the timeline could be upwards of 6 months or more).

With regard to PMI's petitions, not much needs to be said other than the fact that the applicants petitions were gathered at a location in another township—lending itself to the reality that the signatures are not those of Tobyhanna Township Residents. Please be aware that the petitions submitted as part of my testimony consists of signatures from Tobyhanna Township Residents—as can be verified by their provided addresses.

D.E.P_	570-826-2017
Tobyhanna Township	570-646-1212
Zoning Officer -	
Phyliss Haase	ext. #226
Sewage Enforcement Officer -	
John Brogan	ext. #227
Pocono Township	570-629-1922
Zoning Officer –	
Steve Maylock	ext. #215
Sewage Enforcement Officer -	
Dennis Keesler	ext. #216

Thank you for your time.

Donna Fleming

Sincerely,

Pocono Pines Improvement Association

verify that the information contained in this written comment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

May 22, 2006 Pennsylvania Gaming Commission Board;

The proposed Pocono Manor Resort Casino is a monstrosity that definitely does not fit in with the serene and majestic horizons that make up the Pocono Mountain Plateau. In addition to the enormous height of this proposal, the influx of hotel guests and casino workers will put an enormous strain on our roads as well as water supply and infrastructure of this area which also supplies our existing homes and businesses. The amount of questionable revenue that will be generated will be gobbled up for new schools, police and fire protection.

We ask that you vote NO on issuing a gaming license for the proposed Pocono Manor Casino.

Sincerely,

Michael Cunningham

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Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

I own and operate a business in Tobyhanna Township. My business commitments prevented me from attending the public hearing on April 27th for the casino projects. Please accept this letter in support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

The Pocono Manor Casino project will benefit our area both economically and culturally. It is a well planned, first class project that will reestablish the Poconos as a top tourist destination. Additionally, the employment opportunities the project brings to the area are remarkable, and will allow our large base of commuters to become more involved in the communities where they live.

As an owner operating a business in the area of the intended project, I am very excited with the Pocono Manor proposal and am looking forward to their Grand Opening. The residual business opportunities to my business are substantial.

I trust you will make a fair decision through evaluating the merits of the two projects proposed for our area and conclude that the only plan deserving of a license Pocono Manor.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Summit Lanes

Dr. Alex Holtzman, Owner

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

As proprietor of Summit Lanes in Tobyhanna Township, I would like to extend my formal support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project. I have been in private practice for 18 years locally, as well as building and operating Summit Lanes for the past 8 years. My business commitments prohibited me from attending the April 27th hearing.

It is my strong opinion that the Pocono Manor Casino project will have a positive and long lasting impact on the area. It will bring jobs to the area. It will be a destination for both individuals and corporations. In short, it will help to re-establish the Poconos as a resort area. Its proximity to major highways and the size of the project make it the obvious choice for a first class casino and resort.

As far as its impact on my business, I believe that it will greatly enhance our viability. Summit Lanes is the proud host of the 2007 PA State Bowling Tournament. Some 16,000 bowlers will be in the Poconos over a 10-12 week period. They will need a large and comfortable place to stay over that time period. Pocono Manor will be able to accommodate such a need. In fact, it will help us secure future tournaments due to its proximity to our center. It is the true definition of a "win-win situation".

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I am confident that the board will award the license to the most deserving project, Pocono Manor.

Sincerely,

Dr. Alex Holtzman

TERRENCE McALLISTER, Registered Land Surveyor

Mr. Tad Decker, Chaiman Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker.

In the coming weeks, a decision will be made as to who shall be awarded the gaming license in Pennsylvania. Admittedly, I know little about the process and procedures you are obligated by law to adhere to, but I know that the decision will be a weighty one on all members. As a registered professional land surveyor, I am well accustomed to weighing all applicable information and data presented to me in making a decision on where a property boundary should be placed. Being able to formulate a complete picture and having the best information available, I suspect, are of equal importance to the decisions each member of the gaming board makes today, and will make tomorrow.

You are today in the midst of making an important decision that will affect an entire region of the State, never mind the lives of countless individuals for years to come. A corporation headed by Dunmore businessman Louis De Naples is at the focus of that decision, and it is for that reason that I have chosen to write, to give you the opinion of one Pennsylvania resident who grew up in Dunmore and who has known Louis DeNaples simply as Louis most of my life.

Louis's business resume needs no elaboration, and indeed, his business acumen is without equal. I am sure you have piles of data and information on Louis, the businessman. What the gaming control board may not have is a clear picture of the man Louis is, the man who is a neighbor, a fellow citizen of the Borough of Dunmore, of a man who gives so much to so many, of the pride and commitment Louis has to his family. I wish every gaming control board member could walk the streets of Dunmore and ask its residents about Louis. The answers you would get are of a great family man, a neighbor and super businessman, of a man who believes in and invests in his community and its children.

What the gaming control board members may not have is a clear picture of the pride and commitment Louis has to his hometown, the Borough of Dunmore. I am confident there has not been one child who has grown up in Dunmore in the last forty years who has not, either directly or indirectly, benefited from his generosity and commitment. What the gaming control board members may not have a clear picture of Louis's commitment to the northeast region of this Commonwealth? Louis makes money here in northeastern Pennsylvania, and Louis's businesses are here in northeastern Pennsylvania employing hundreds of people.

Louis has remained centered in his hometown his entire life, showing the commitment to his neighbors, not only to the Borough of Dunmore, but also to the communities of Lackawanna County, and to northeastern Pennsylvania. If I were asked to make the decision which lies in front of you, I would make that decision based on a simple question. Which candidate has a solid history in investing in the northeastern region of this Commonwealth? Who has raised his family in the northeastern region of Pennsylvania, and who has invested his time and resources in strengthening its communities. Louis DeNaples has that history.

In closing I leave you with this: Louis is today a busy man, and on a daily basis many come to his office with issues to be resolved, for his advice and/or to ask for assistance in numerous causes. I am neither wealthy, influential or a business or governmental leader, yet, Louis's door is, as it always has been, as open to me as any other. He has remained approachable in spite of his enormous success, a fact I believe, speaks volumes about his personal humility and humanity.

Very truly yours,

Terrence McAllister

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Control Board:

I am a resident living in Pocono Manor, and have lived here for eight (8)years. My close ties to the region started over 30 years ago, when I first purchased a home in the Poconos. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the public hearing at Split Rock Lodge on 4/27/06 and most likely missed important information. Unfortunately, there seems to be a message circulating that Pocono Manor residents are opposed to having a Pocono Manor Resort and Casino. That is not my view: and I am submitting this letter to express my thoughts/concerns. I am also making a request of you.

I have not been a strong proponent of legalized gambling as a big money maker for the state. However, since our State Government has directed it, I believe it is our responsibility to make it the very best business deal it can be...in order to optimize the return of income to the real stakeholders(we taxpayers); and not line the pockets of a few.

Based on the information and data available to date, I support the Pocono Manor Plan. Properly implemented this plan will rejuvenate our community; and the entire tri-county region of the Poconos. For me, the plan provides opportunities beyond just the gaming..... with a commitment into the convention, retail, and entertainment areas. The employment opportunities combined with the revenue and attraction of corporate business, plus the possibilities of train service and upscale housing in the area, will result in sustainable economic benefits to our region. The location relative to the interstate highway system is another plus. This being stated, I will address some possible concerns.

You and your team, most likely have a set of detailed selection criteria; such as, critical issues with ranking of importance; weight of each issue; cost or income impact to stakeholders, etc. As a stakeholder in this business deal; would you provide me with your evaluation/assessment criteria; or tell me how to obtain it? In general, I am concerned by what I have heard regarding political contributions, maneuvering, and lobbying being the key criteria in selecting the winners. As with any business deal, the selection should be based on what best benefits the shareholders/stakeholders. Please dispel my concern.

Some additional thoughts/views for your consideration are as follows:

- * There definitely should be a Category 2 slots license in this section of the state to maximize income from the tri-state area.
- * The very best business deal with zero/minimum stakeholder cost and least negative infrastructure (roads, schools, sewage, water, etc.) impact should be negotiated. ÷
- * The contenders investment commitments should be defined by detailed plans/schedules/costs for each significant milestone; and "heavy" penalties enforced if interim milestones are not met.
- * There should be a "Best and Final" offer opportunity given to contenders before the final selection. This might provide some attractive enhancements!
- * Consider getting solid commitments to achieve and accelerate train service to/from the area, etc.

Thank you in advanced for sharing the criteria with myself and the stakeholders of Pennsylvania and for your assistance in this matter. I look forward to hearing from you soon. During my 30+ years of experiencing, living and knowing the Poconos, I have seen "...the Good. the Bad, and the Ugly...". You and your team have an opportunity to make a big, positive step forward for the stakeholders of the state; and I trust you will make the right decision for the State of Pennsylvania.

Harry E. Johnston

May 15, 2006

Mr. Richard Van Noy Tunkhannock Township Supervisor

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker:

As a Supervisor of Tunkhannock Township, my colleagues and I have carefully reviewed the plans submitted by the Pocono Manor Investors LLP on behalf of the project.

The Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project presents a well-conceived plan with all aspects of the development meticulously detailed. The developers have been, and continue to be, cooperative and communicative in the township review process. They were open to modification and adjustments of the plan when proposed by members of the Tobyhanna Supervisory Board and the community residents. The resulting plan is one that will benefit and work well for our residential and business communities within our area. Pocono Manor is also the only site in our county that provides the logistics capable of supporting the traffic necessary for a successful 5,000-slot casino. Additionally, it is important that the gaming facility be contained in a master plan that ensures sustainable business through multiple leisure operations. Only the Pocono Manor plan offers this approach, complete with a convention center that will provide residual benefit to other hotel facilities.

The Pocono area desperately needs jobs for residents and the offset of skyrocketing taxes from massive influx of commuters that work in New Jersey and New York City. Pocono Manor will provide employment, while providing the commuter base the opportunity to work where they live and become engaged in their home communities.

As a Supervisor responsible for development in my Township, I feel it is imperative that the Gaming Control Board does realize that the "organized opposition" in the area is but a small fraction of the residents. Their statements are not based on facts, but sensationalism meant to leverage the fear factor in the public's perception.

I vigorously encourage you to award the gaming license to the only project capable of meeting the guidelines outlined in Act 71 – The Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

Thank you for your consideration.

Richard Van Noy,
Tunkhannock Township Supervisor

May 24, 2006

Mr. Jon Berry Tobyhanna Township Supervisor Pocono Motor Sports

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker:

As a Supervisor of Tobyhanna Township, my colleagues and I carefully reviewed the plans submitted by the Pocono Manor Investors LLP on behalf of the project.

The Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project's developers have been very cooperative and communicative in the township review process. They were open to modification and adjustments of the plan proposed by the Tobyhanna Supervisory Board and community residents. The resulting plan's architectural design complements our area and will provide a tremendous economic engine for the residential and business communities.

Pocono Manor's logistics present the only site capable of supporting the traffic necessary for a successful 5,000-slot casino. This location's importance is critical to all the neighboring townships, as it minimizes impact to their secondary highways. Additionally, the Pocono Manor's plan is consistent with the master plans that offer the highest success in the hospitality/gaming industry. Only the Pocono Manor plan offers this approach, complete with a convention center that will provide up to 3,126 room nights, per night, offering tremendous revenue benefit to other hotel facilities.

The Pocono area desperately needs jobs for residents, as well as revenue offset for skyrocketing taxes from our massive influx of commuters that work in New Jersey and New York City. Pocono Manor will provide employment opportunities and generate tremendous revenue to our tax base, while providing the commuter base the opportunity to "work where they live". It will be an added resource to our townships for commuting residents to have the ability to become more engaged in their home communities.

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Jon Berry

Tobyhanna Township Supervisor

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter. I trust you will make the right decision for our area in the licensure for the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

Sincerely,

Linda LARSEN

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Sincerely.

Joseph P. Stallings



Bodyworks Etc. Ltd. Full Day Spa

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

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Sincerely,

Robert LARSEN

May 30, 2006

Mr. Tad Decker Pennsylvania Gamming Commission

Harrisburg, PA

Dear Mr. Decker,

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My name is James Ireland. My family and I were owners of the Pocono Manor Resort until this past December, at which time we sold our resort to Pocono Manor Investors LLP.

The resort was purchased in the mid sixties by my grandfather Sam Ireland. His dream was to turn Pocono Manor into a world class resort. Not long after he purchased the resort my grandfather passed away leaving the property to myself and several cousins. During the period of our ownership we continued to work toward his dream by refurbishing the Pocono Manor Inn and the infrastructure of the beautiful 3,000 acre mountaintop property.

While selling the Pocono Manor came with great pain and sadness, the knowledge that the purchasers (Pocono Manor Investors) had the ability to fulfill my grandfather's dreams within my lifetime gives me great joy.

In my dealings with the principals of Pocono Manor Investors I have come to appreciate their high level of professionalism. More importantly in all cases they have delivered on promises on time or ahead of time. The plans they have put forward for Pocono Manor are without doubt the largest investment in the history of this areas tourism. The development proposed at Pocono Manor is not only the best location with the least negative transportation impact but contrary to other proposals offers the region a tremendous opportunity with it's arena, convention facilities and retail component.

The prospect of over 3,000 jobs and the investment in the state and region in excess of a billion dollars is a once in a lifetime chance for the Pocono's. This is the right project in the right place at the right time to maximize the benefit to the people and the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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I am sure after the careful review by your committee the Pocono Manor Investors proposal will stand head and shoulders above all other applications.

I thank you for your considerations and I am confident that my grandfather's dreams are in capable hands with your selection committee.

Sincerely,

James M. Ireland

President

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Ireland Hotels Inc.

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Control Board:

I am a resident living in Monroe County. Due to my work schedule, I was unable to attend the public hearing at Split Rock Lodge on April 27th and wish to submit this letter to formally support the Pocono Manor project.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060

Dear Mr. Decker:

I have been a resident of Lake Naomi located in Tobyhanna Township for the past 13 years. Due to my work schedule, I was unable to attend the public hearing at Split Rock Lodge on April 27th and wish to submit this letter to formally support the Pocono Manor project.

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Sincerely,

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Millenia Home Improvements Inc

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May 15, 2006

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman **PA Gaming Control Board** P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Committee:

As the owner of two businesses in Tobyhanna Township for over 20 years, I would like to voice my opinion with regard to the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino. I feel that this project would be a tremendous asset to our community both economically and culturally.

The Poconos tax base and economy has been declining for years, and a thriving four star resort is exactly what's needed to put our area back on the road to improvement. Pocono Manor resort and Casino is a project that will guarantee to draw people who have the disposable incomes to spend dollars benefiting the businesses in the area.

Please accept this letter as my endorsement for Pocono Manor Resort and Casino. I would appreciate you carefully reviewing all the opinions of the population here; not just a few vocal residents who do not represent the majority of those living in the host Township to this great project.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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Sincerely,

Richard J. Gersinger



American Way Realty, Inc.

May 12, 2006

Pilar Silva, President American Way Realty, Inc.

Tad Decker, Chairman
PA Gaming Control Board
PO Box #69060
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Committee:

I have been in business in Monroe County for over 20 years.

I wasn't able to attend the Hearing on April 17th, so I am respectfully submitting this letter to the Gaming Commission in support of the Pocono Manor project. The plan and approach for this project will provide many benefits to our region.

The opinions expressed by some opposing the Pocono Manor project are not a fair representation of the majority. There is a ground swell of support for this project across Monroe County. It's exciting to be a business owner with the prospect of having such a tremendous project supplying residual revenue to our local economy.

Please accept this letter as my endorsement for the project. I rest assured that you will make a fair and equitable decision based upon the guidelines and objectives supporting Act 72 and the superlative business merits demonstrated by the Pocono Manor project.

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Pilar Silva, President

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Pocono Environmental Labs, L.L.C. Jeremy R. Young, Director

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Control Board:

I am a life long resident of Pennsylvania, now living in Monroe County for fourteen years and own a business here for the last nine years. Due to my work schedule, I was unable to attend the public hearing at Split Rock Lodge on April 27th and wish to submit this letter to formally support the Pocono Manor project.

The Pocono Manor plan is well-conceived and provides opportunity beyond just gaming through the convention, retail and entertainment venues. The employment opportunities, combined with the revenue and the attraction of corporate business will provide sustainable economic benefits to our region. Also, the plan is the only option that offers a location supported by an interstate, which promotes the easy flow of traffic and also allows the Poconos to effectively compete with other drive markets for tourism.

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Sincerely.

Jeremy K. Young, Director

Pocono Environmental Labs, L.L.C.

May 15, 2006

Morgan Dale Village Squire Restaurant

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

I have owned and operated a restaurant business in Monroe County for the last 34 years. My business commitments prevented me from attending the public hearing on April 27th for the casino projects. Please accept this letter in support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

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Hickory Lane Builders, Inc.

May 14, 2006

Mr. Robert Boland, President Hickory Lane Builders, Inc.

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

I'm President of Hickory Lane Builders located in Tannersville, PA. My company is well respected and builds homes throughout all areas of Monroe County.

For business reasons, I was unable to attend the hearing on April 27th regarding the casino projects proposed for the Pocono area. However, I'm submitting this letter to express my support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project. A few of the numerous reasons to award this project the gaming license are:

- four star destination resort will draw new patronage to the Poconos
- provision of year round business to the Poconos
- offers the area's first convention center, providing a new market demographic of professionals with higher disposable income
- will provide a much need boost to the local economy
- · will allow the Pocono region to be competitive with other markets
- · will provide many jobs for local population, allowing our commuters to "work

- where they live"

I'm certain your analysis of the Pocono opportunity will result in the selection of Pocono Manor as a licensed gaming facility. While aware of some opposition to the project, I can assure you that this group does not fairly represent the majority opinion. This project is needed in our area, and is the only project that can deliver the economics necessary to positively impact the quality of life of our region's businesses and residents.

Mr. Robert Boland, President

May 18th, 2006

Bob Bailey

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060

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May 18, 2006

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Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

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Joseph N. Miller, Owner & Publisher "This Week in the Poconos" Magazine

Tad Decker, Chairman
PA Gaming Control Board
PO Box 69060 ——
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Committee:

I am owner and publisher of a magazine, "This Week in the Poconos" that has promoted tourism in the greater Pocono region since 1932. As my life's work has been supporting and promoting tourism to the area, I believe I offer a well-rounded perspective on what kind of business is needed and can impact the region in the highest and best way.

This letter comes to you as an endorsement of the Pocono Manor project. The plan and approach for this project reflects a well-conceived vision that will greatly benefit tourism across our region. The revenue projected by the project is outstanding, however more impressive within the plan is the retail entertainment complex and the convention center.

The Poconos are well situated to draw upon the tri-state's corporate market for meeting and conference business. I'm sure it is known by the PA Gaming Board that two of the country's highest-ranking pharmaceutical producing markets are a 70-minute drive. Midweek and year-round tourism is something the mountains have never experienced, and the new up-market visitor with more disposable income that a convention center will draw is also a huge benefit.

The Pocono Manor Resort and Casino will also offer a depth of entertainment and retail that this area so desperately needs. The location of the property will allow ease of traffic in and out of the complex without disrupting local traffic or school systems.

I rest assured that you will make a fair and equitable decision based upon the guidelines and objectives supporting Act 71 and the superlative business merits demonstrated by the Pocono Manor project.

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May 10, 2006

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Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

I have lived in Mt. Pocono for the past 31 years. As a resident, I care what businesses are opening in my area. I am writing this letter to support Pocono Manor Casino. The plan and approach for this project reflects a well-conceived vision that will greatly benefit our region.

The opinions expressed by the few vocal residents opposing the Pocono Manor project do not reflect those of the majority living in the townships neighboring the proposed complex. In speaking with my friends and neighbors, the vast majority do support the Pocono Manor plan with many signing petitions acknowledging as such. Everyone is excited at the prospect of additional jobs, the corporate business the convention center will attract and the wonder retail and entertainment complex.

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Mr. Eugene Tapiro
Tennis Director & Head Tennis Pro

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The opinions of those who opposed the Pocono Manor project at the hearing do not represent the majority opinion of the Pocono area residents. Most residents do support the Pocono Manor project and there is an enormous movement to sign petitions endorsing the project.

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Michael PAMOS

F & F PAVING & EXCAVATING

May 15, 2006

Mr. Robert Felins, President F & F Paving & Excavating, Inc.

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

To Mr. Decker and the Gaming Commission:

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I am a life-long resident of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Poconos, where I have operated à business for over 30 years. On the day of the public hearing for the gaming license, I had professional commitments that prevented me from attending the forum.

As I missed attending the hearing, I am respectively submitting this letter in support of the Pocono Manor Resort & Casino project. The Matzel Development plan is very impressive and demonstrates a level of professionalism that is far superior to any of the other projects proposed for our region. It's critically important that any project considered for licensure provide sustainable revenues for the local and state markets. Pocono Manor's economic plan certainly fulfills the criteria detailed in the State Gaming Act 71, clearly providing the highest positive impact of revenue and cultural benefits for our region. Additionally, the Pocono Manor plan extends into businesses beyond gaming, such as the retail complex and convention center, which will provide increased revenues to area businesses.

While some of the projects proposed for the Commonwealth present difficult decisions due to comparable plans, the situation in Monroe County is very clear that Pocono Manor provides the highest advantages to our region.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY - TREASURER

LAWRENCE J. ORTT. JR.

May 23, 2006

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Control Board:

The Atlantic Indians Trapshooting Association, Inc. is a social, non profit, organization formed in 1918 and having over 200 members from all over the USA, who for eight days each year participate in trapshooting tournaments held on the premises of the Pocono Manor Golf Resort and Spa. Our shooting tournaments are a family affair. Tournaments have been held in the Poconos since 1921, at Pocono Manor since 1980.

We were unable to attend the public hearing at split Rock Lodge on April 27th, but we wish to advise that our Board of Governors meeting recently, passed a motion unanimously supportive of the Pocono Manor project. We would be most happy to visit your offices at your convenience to discuss our specific support of the Pocono Manor project.

We recognize that the value of the Pocono Manor plan not only to rejuvenate the immediate community and tri-county region in the Poconos, but more importantly the plan provides viable opportunities beyond gaming into convention, retail and entertainment venues. Our own attendance and growth are linked to the success of the Pocono Manor plan. Pocono Manor is the only option to offer the shooting sports an existing and high quality facility for our semi annual tournaments.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. We trust that you will make the right decision for the licensure of Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

Sincerely,

Donald H. Buton, President Atlantic Indians

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Dr. Alex Holtzman, Owner Summit Lanes

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

As proprietor of Summit Lanes in Tobyhanna Township, I would like to extend my formal support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project. I have been in private practice for 18 years locally, as well as building and operating Summit Lanes for the past 8 years. My business commitments prohibited me from attending the April 27th hearing.

It is my strong opinion that the Pocono Manor Casino project will have a positive and long lasting impact on the area. It will bring jobs to the area. It will be a destination for both individuals and corporations. In short, it will help to re-establish the Poconos as a resort area. Its proximity to major highways and the size of the project make it the obvious choice for a first class casino and resort.

As far as its impact on my business, I believe that it will greatly enhance our viability. Summit Lanes is the proud host of the 2007 PA State Bowling Tournament. Some 16,000 bowlers will be in the Poconos over a 10-12 week period. They will need a large and comfortable place to stay over that time period. Pocono Manor will be able to accommodate such a need. In fact, it will help us secure future tournaments due to its proximity to our center. It is the true definition of a "win-win situation".

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I am confident that the board will award the license to the most deserving project, Pocono Manor.

Sincerely.

Dr. Alex Holtzman



May 25, 2006

News for our "Friends of Pocono Manor Resort & Casino" -

Thank you for your support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project. Every petition signature, email and letter to the Board endorsing the project helps us get one step closer to licensure.

We appreciate your registration on our website's petition form. Unfortunately, the Gaming Control Board informed us that they can only accept hard, handwritten signatures on petitions. As June 2nd is the date until the PA Gaming Board can officially accept testimonial letters and signed petitions, we are asking if you would please sign the enclosed petition and send it to us in the enclosed stamped envelope, ASAP. If convenient, please ask your friends and family members to sign, too!!

You can also help us through the following options:

Submit a letter supporting the project to the PA Gaming Control Board by
placing this link in your browser: http://www.pgcb.state.pa.us/contact.htm. The
Gaming Control Board will email you a letter of acknowledgement.

OR

• You may also snail mail a letter of support directly to: The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, P.O. Box 69060, Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

We are looking forward to our continued process with the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board and in taking our next steps forward in their evaluation of the Pocono region's applicants. December remains the target month regarding awarding of the license. We'll certainly keep you updated on new information, as it becomes available to us.

Again, thank you for your continued interest in the Pocono Manor & Casino project. We look forward to seeing you at the slots and having you as our guests for years to come. Your support ensures that PA can WIN BIG this December!!

Trust that we truly appreciate all of your help in this effort.

Best Wishes,

Merrilee Scott

VP Marketing and Sales Pocono Manor Resort & Casino

I SUPPORT THE POCONO MANOR RESORT & CASINO

I do solemnly swear that I am signing this petition under my own free will and have not been promised anything in exchange for my signature. I support the Pocono Manor Resort & Casino's application for a gaming license. Having a complete understanding of that position, I hereby acknowledge my support by submitting my contact information on this form.

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REPLY TO: POINT PLEASANT OFFICE

ATLANTIC CITY OFFICE

June 2, 2006

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Mickey Kane, Clerk Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board 303 Walnut Street, 5th Floor Verizon Tower Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re:

Supplemental Testimonial Letter for Dennis Gomes;

Application of Pocono Manor Investors, LP

Docket No: 1352

Dear Ms. Kane:

Our office called and left a message regarding the above. We sent via federal express a package to your attention today, but the attached item arrived after the package was sent. Kindly include same with the other materials to be added to the Hearing Record of the PGCB Public Hearing on April 27, 2006 at the Split Rock Facility. We apologize for the fax, but cannot get a hard copy to you until Monday.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely.

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Enclosure

cc: Greg Matzel Dale Miller



To Whom It May Concern

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to submit this letter to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This is in reference to the impact that these new casino, retail, dinning and entertainment resorts have had on a smaller, privately owned restaurant in Atlantic City.

I would first like to introduce myself to you. My name is Ron Garofalo and for nearly 30 years my family and I have operated a restaurant on South Carolina and Pacific Avenue in Atlantic City. Over the years, my restaurant has gone through many changes. We began as a pizzeria in 1976 and gradually developed into a higher end dinning establishment. Today we are the AC Bar & Grill, a high energy, sports bar and grill, specializing in seafood.

We are pleased to say that it has only been recently that we have had a nationally televised TV show filmed here, The Simple Life, with Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie. This just recently aired on April 20th 2006. I believe that from my own experience I am uniquely qualified to comment on what the Commonwealth and, more so, some of the Commonwealth region's smaller restaurants and businesses owners are going to experience with the development of these new world-class casino and destination resorts, that include retail, dining and entertainment.

As you can imagine, over the last 30 years, we in Atlantic City have experienced numerous changes in the casino and restaurant business. However, the last few years have seen a more dramatic change than ever. In November of 2004, the Tropicana Casino and Resort opened its doors to The Quarter. The Quarter has become a nationally acclaimed world-class destination resort that has over 200,000 square feet of retail, dinning and entertainment with a Cuban Theme. In addition, this world-class complex had such a huge variety of nationally recognized restaurant operators and nightclubs. I was sure that this would have a negative impact on my restaurant. That was certainly not to be the case. After The Quarter opened to national rave reviews and publicity, the sheer numbers that came in to town from all areas was staggering. From a personal point of view, I watched my restaurant experience a dramatic increase in revenues. What was extremely evident was not only did the visitors arrive to experience The Quarter on the weekend, they came midweek due to the additional convention rooms located in The Quarter. Normally our midweek business was quieter. I believe 1,000 rooms were added following the addition of The Quarter's new tower. By having a destination resort as an attraction around town, it certainly raised the overall customers and convention business.

Mr. Gomes' business acumen and understanding and also caring of the local community certainly changed my business for the better.

Sincerely,

Ron Garofalb

Owner & Operator, AC Bar & Grill



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June 1, 2006

REPLY TO:	POINT PLEASANT OFFICE	
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Mickey Kane, Clerk Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board 303 Walnut Street, Fifth Floor Strawberry Square Verizon Tower Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101

RE: Public Input Hearings

Pocono Manor Investors, LP

Docket No. 1352

Dear Ms. Kane:

Pursuant to the directive that the official public record from the April 27, 2006, Public Hearing (regarding the pending Category 2 Slot License applicants) would remain open until June 2, 2006, enclosed herewith please find the following materials we wish to have included in the hearing record and on behalf of Category 2 Applicant Pocono Manor Investors, LP.

 An original and four (4) copies of 4,201 citizen petition signatures in support of the Pocono Manor Investors, LP application for a Category 2 Slot License at Pocono Manor, Tobyhanna Township, Pennsylvania.

Kindly include these with the previous petitions already submitted for the public record. Lastly, please note that we understand several hundred additional signatures are forthcoming and we will provide same to the Board as soon as received. If you have any questions or we can be of further assistance, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Robert J. Carroll

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c: Dalé W. Miller, Esquire (w/o enclosure)
Hearing Officer, Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

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I own and operate a business in Monroe County. My business commitments prevented me from attending the public hearing on April 27th for the casino projects. Please accept this letter in support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

The Pocono Manor Casino project will benefit our region both economically and culturally. It is a well planned, first class project that will reestablish the Poconos as a top tourist destination. Additionally, the employment opportunities the project brings to the area are remarkable, and will allow our large base of commuters to become more involved in the communities where they live.

As an owner operating a business in the area of the intended project, I am very excited with the Pocono Manor proposal and am looking forward to their Grand Opening. The residual business opportunities to my business are substantial.

I trust you will make a fair decision through evaluating the merits of the two projects proposed for our area and conclude that the only plan deserving of a license Pocono Manor.

-Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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I SUPPORT POCONO MANOR RESORT & CASINO

I do solemnly swear that I am signing this petition under my own free will and have not been promised anything in exchange for my signature. I support the Pocono Manor Resort & Casino's application for a gaming license. Having a complete understanding of that position, I hereby acknowledge my support by submitting my contact information on this form.

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Board Clerk PGCB

May 8, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board PO BOX 69060 Harrisburg PA 17106

Gentlemen,

I strongly believe that the Pocono Manor Resort & Casino would be a huge win for the both the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and many of the surrounding Pocono communities. This project would be an enviable destination for vacationers or those who simply desire short stay or even a day trip as well. I am well acquainted with the principals supporting this project and whose track record will most certainly ensure this project's success. Please give their application every consideration.

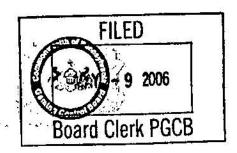
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ery truly yours

George Kolber



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

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April 28, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in support of the Pocono Manor application for a slot parlor license.

As background I and my family own dwellings within two miles of both the Mount Airy site in Paradise Township and the Pocono Manor site. Given this unique situation I speak with a vested interest in the outcome of the slot license award. Either site will directly impact our existence as well as our community.

I have carefully weighed the pros and cons of both locations and applicants. I have considered the "not in my backyard" objections and drawn my own conclusion. There are several factors that influence my conclusion that the Pocono Manor site is preferable. These considerations include traffic, impact on the communities, economic development of the Poconos, and the appearance of propriety.

The majority of traffic arriving at Pocono Manor would exit I-380 and almost immediately arrive at the casino site having little if any negative impact on the surrounding areas. The Mount Airy site would require traffic to exit I-380 onto Rt. 940, through a horrendous 5 point intersection to Rt. 611, through the small borough of Mt. Pocono to Woodland Rd. to Mount Airy. This would be a traffic nightmare and impede the community's access to grocery stores and shopping. Emergency services access would also be impeded by additional traffic congestion.

The Pocono Manor location is at the intersection of an interstate and commercial thoroughfare which would have little impact on the ambience of the surrounding area; in fact, it would be a major improvement. The Mount Airy location is in the middle of an area with residences and schools. This would have a major negative impact changing the area from rural to commercial. An additional consideration is the high volume of school bus traffic in the Mount Airy area.

The Pocono Manor Casino and Convention Center proposal provides a destination for tourists and business visitors. The Poconos is in need of first class destination resorts. Most of the resorts that have survived the last 50 years are run down and struggling. They are not capable of attracting convention clientele. The Mount Airy proposal does not appear to provide for a large convention destination.

I am a descendent of early settlers of the Poconos and currently reside in a house built in 1916, with my grandfather's assistance, within the Historic District of Pocono Manor. I therefore have a keen interest in the outcome of your deliberations. I also believe that the Quaker founders of Pocono Manor would be pleased with the high standard of ethics thus far demonstrated by the Matzel Development team.

Sincerely.

John C. Layton (



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Board Clerk PGCB

May 1, 2006

Office of the Clerk Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Post Office Box 69060 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17106

Gentlemen:

My wife and I own four and a half acres of land on Route 940 just east of Route 115 in Blakeslee, Pennsylvania. We are in the process of developing the land into a commercial site. We are very pleased about the potential Gaming site for Pocono Manor in Tobyhanna Township. This project would have a strong, positive economic effect on the area for the Township – Jobs, Growth, and Tourism. I hope you will strongly consider granting the license to Pocono Manor.

Sincerely,

Henry R. Gearhart

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Commission:

I'm a resident of the Poconos for 52 years and have operated a successful animal clinic for the past 25 years. As a Tobyhanna Township resident and business professional, the casino project is very important to me both personally and certainly to the economic growth of the region.

My business commitments prevented me from attending the April 27th hearing, so I am submitting this letter to the Gaming Control Board in support of the Pocono Manor Resort and Casino project.

Pocono Manor's plan presents the better gaming and resort option for our area. The business plan supporting that project provides superior results in economics, logistics and ancillary support business ensuring sustainable success. Also the addition of up to 4,000 new jobs to the area will allow our commuter base to work where they live and make more value contributions to our communities.

While there are some vocal residents in Tobyhanna Township that oppose the project, I assure you that they do not represent the majority opinion which is very supportive of the Pocono Manor plan.

I appreciate your anticipated integrity and fairness in making this decision.

Sincerely,

Arnold and Elizabeth Winn

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker and Gaming Committee:

We are writing this letter in support of the gaming complex proposed by Pocono Manor Investors LLC.

As residents of Monroe County and regular patrons of the Pocono Manor Inn for over 35 years, we can confidently state that the location is perfect for an expanded resort complex. It will have the benefit of direct access off the Interstate 380, which is a must for a world-class hotel, shopping center, casino and conference center. Additionally, the plan provides the strongest economic benefit for our region and state.

A project representing an investment of this magnitude sets a precedent for the Pocono regions and absolutely makes sense for both the Commonwealth and the region. The breadth of the leisure business offered by the facility will ensure repeat business, which is essential to the success of the project.

The Pocono Manor Resort and Casino is one of the finest business plans offered to Pennsylvania under this legislation. It offers jobs, revenue and recreation all in superb location that will not over tax the smaller regional roads, nor be adjacent to the largest taxpayer investment – the Swiftwater campus of Pocono Mountain Schools or disturb traffic patterns around the large Sanofi Pasteur pharmaceutical company. It will also restore the area's hospitality industry to its prior status as one of the state's premier tourist destinations.

We are looking forward to the opening of the new Pocono Manor Resort and Casino.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



PENNSYLVANIA GAMING CONTROL BOARD HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17106-9060

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Dear Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board,

I am writing this letter because I will be away on vacation on the day of the hearings at Split Rock. I have been a resident of Tunkhannock Twp, Monroe County, PA for nearly nineteen years. Having worked in this area in the real estate and other sales fields during this time, I have seen many changes, and I am familiar with the needs and growth concerns of my community. For the past two years, I have owned my own business publishing a community publication and several magazines. I am well aware of the contribution my products make to the growth and development of my community. In an effort to maintain an awareness of the needs and growth of the Poconos so that my products can better serve my community and contribute to the developing needs of the demographics and economy, my company belongs to the four Vacation Bureaus in our area: Luzerne, Lackawanna, Pocono Mountain an Lehigh Valley. We are also Pocono Mountain Chamber of Commerce members, and we belong to the Pocono Arts Council.

I feel that the introduction of gambling to our area has the potential to contribute much to the developement of the Poconos in terms of benefiting the economy through tourist dollars and employment opportunities. I strongly feel that this benefit is dependent on how the license holder/resort handles their responsibility.

As a lifestyle magazine publisher, I can attest to the importance of symbiotic relationships. For example, we publish a relocation guide, and have actually had more than one prominent real estate office ask our company to heavily promote the theater and cultural events in our area, because that is a major consideration for home shoppers. We are very much aware that the events and amenities that we promote in our magazines have a direct effect on the opinions and buying habits of our readers, and so we take great pride and responsibility in what we publish.

I would like to say that after attending a meeting with the Pocono Manor management and meeting the developer, Greg Matzel, we were very impressed with his well planned, broad proposal.

We were very pleased that Pocono Manor plans to work with other area resorts for coordinating events and providing shuttle buses for visitors. My husband and I were quite impressed that Pocono Manor does not plan to be able to accommodate the visitors they expect to draw, thus contributing business to existing hotels, resorts, restaurants and other businesses. We also find it important and impressive that the demographic profile of the expected clientele is a more discriminating, affluent consumer that is seeking quality services, products and opportunities. We see the same trends in our business, and cater to this expanding group. Mr. Matzel made it clear that area businesses who take responsibility for satisfying the needs and expectations of this consumer will greatly benefit. We see Pocono Manor's vision as raising the bar in the Pocono community in terms of products and services offered. This is greatly needed in the Pocono area as it becomes more of a primary resident domain.

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