## **ORDER 2009-97**

## ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION RENEWING THE RIVERBOAT OWNER'S LICENSE OF HORSESHOE HAMMOND, LLC

In accordance with and subject to Indiana Code 4-33 and Title 68 of the Indiana Administrative Code, the Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") issued a Riverboat Owner's License to Empress Casino Hammond Corporation on June 21, 1996. By Resolution 1999-32, the Commission granted the Horseshoe Gaming Holding Corporation's application to acquire 100% of the ownership interest in Empress Casino Hammond Corporation. By action of the Commission on March 2, 2001 in Resolution 2001-8, Horseshoe Gaming Holding Corporation received the approval to change the name of the entity that holds the Riverboat Owner's License from Empress Casino Hammond Corporation to Horseshoe Hammond, Inc. ("Horseshoe"). By Resolution 2004-31, the Commission granted the Harrah's Operating Company, Inc.'s application to acquire 100% of the ownership interest in Horseshoe Gaming Holding Corporation. Pursuant to Indiana Code section 4-33-6-12, the license has been renewed annually. The most recent renewal, granted on May 28, 2008, extended the license through June 19, 2009.

On April 24, 2009, Horseshoe requested renewal of the riverboat owner's license and submitted payment of the annual renewal fee in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

Pursuant to Indiana Code section 4-33-6-12, the Commission has found that Horseshoe has substantially complied with the directives of Indiana Code 4-33 and Title 68 of the Indiana Administrative Code and is suitable to hold a Riverboat Owner's License. The Commission **GRANTS** renewal of Horseshoe's Riverboat Owner's License for a period of one year subject to Horseshoe maintaining its riverboat gambling operation, riverboat, hotel, and pavilion in substantial compliance with all properly applicable state and local laws, including but not limited to, Commission regulations, resolutions, orders and/or other directives relating to the riverboat owner's license, or to the lawful operation or conduct of riverboat gaming in Indiana. The renewal of the Riverboat Owner's License shall be valid for a period of one year effective June 20, 2009 and valid through June 19, 2010.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 11th DAY OF JUNE, 2009.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

ATTEST:

Thomas Swihart, Secretary