ORDER 2013-208

AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION PROSPECTIVELY RENEWING THE CASINO OWNER'S LICENSE OF TROPICANA EVANSVILLE ("AZTAR").

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") adopts the following order pursuant to authority granted it under IC 4-33. In accordance with and subject to Indiana Code 4-33 and Title 68 of the Indiana Administrative Code, the Commission issued a Owner's License to Aztar Indiana Gaming Co., LLC, effective December 8, 1995. Pursuant to Indiana Code section 4-33-6-12, the license has been renewed annually since inception. On January 14, 2010, by Order 2010-1 the Commission approved the application for transfer of ownership of the operating assets of Aztar Indiana Gaming Co. to Tropicana Entertainment ("Tropicana"), however Aztar Indiana Gaming Company ("Aztar") retains the licensee. The most recent renewal, granted on March 21, 2013, renewed the Casino Owner's License through December 4, 2013.

September 5, 2013, Aztar requested renewal of its owner's license and submitted payment of the annual renewal fee in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

On March 15, 2012, by Order 2012-55, the Commission approved a written power of attorney identifying Ronald Gifford as trustee-in-waiting for Aztar. Order 2012-55 stated that it would expire "upon the effectiveness of a subsequent Commission order that either: (1) addresses the renewal of Aztar's Casino Owner's License; or (2) modifies or withdraws the approval" of Mr. Gifford. On September 5, 2013, Aztar indicated in writing that it desires to continue to have Mr. Gifford as trustee-in-waiting.

COMMISSION ACTION

Pursuant to Indiana Code section 4-33-6-12, the Commission finds that Aztar 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 Casino Owner's License. The Commission **GRANTS** renewal of Aztar's Owner's License for a period of one year subject to Aztar maintaining its casino 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 casino owner's license, or to the lawful operation or conduct of gaming in Indiana. The renewal of the Casino Owner's License shall be valid for a period of one year from December 4, 2013 to December 4, 2014.

Furthermore, the Commission <u>GRANTS</u> renewal of its approval of the written power of attorney identifying Ronald Gifford as trustee-in-waiting for Aztar. The renewal of the Commission's approval expires upon the effectiveness of a subsequent Commission order that either: (1) addresses the renewal of Aztar's casino owner's license; or (2) modifies or withdraws the renewal of its approval as granted herein.

According to IC 4-21.5-3, this order is effective fifteen (15) days after the order is served.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 21st DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2013.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

Matt Bell, Chair

ATTEST: