

**ORDER 2016-081**  
**AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION**  
**REGARDING TROPICANA EVANSVILLE'S REQUEST TO MOVE FROM**  
**DOCKED RIVERBOAT CASINO TO INLAND CASINO PURSUANT TO**  
**INDIANA CODE § 4-33-6-24**

House Enrolled Act 1540, which went into effect on July 1, 2015, contains, among other things, a provision that allows casino owner's licensees to submit a plan to the Commission to allow docked riverboat casinos to relocate inland.

In order to relocate inland, a casino owner's licensee must satisfy a number of conditions. First, the casino must be located on property that the casino owner's licensee owned or leased and used in the conduct of gaming operations on February 1, 2015. Second, the new inland casino must be located on property adjacent to the riverboat dock site. Third, the casino must comply with all building codes and safety requirements imposed by the Commission. Fourth, the Commission must approve relocation. Ind. Code § 4-33-6-24(b). Finally, the number of gambling games to be offered at the inland casino cannot exceed the greatest number of gambling games the casino owner's licensee offered at the docked riverboat casino since January 1, 2007. Ind. Code §4-33-6-24(e).

On February 10, 2016, Aztar Indiana Gaming Company, LLC ("Tropicana Evansville") submitted its request to relocate its docked riverboat casino inland and build a 75,000 square foot facility at an estimated cost of \$50,000,000. The inland casino will be located on land Tropicana Evansville currently leases, and was leasing on February 1, 2015, from the City of Evansville. In addition, the inland casino will be located adjacent to the riverboat dock site.

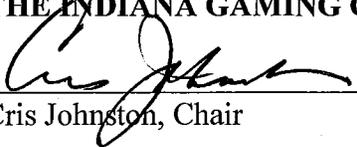
**COMMISSION ACTION**

The Commission hereby **APPROVES** the request submitted by Tropicana Evansville to relocate its docked riverboat casino inland and build a new inland casino.

The Commission's approval of request is conditioned upon Tropicana Evansville: (1) meeting all conditions contained in Ind. Code § 4-33-6-24(b), (2) meeting the condition contained in Ind. Code § 4-33-6-24(e), (3) meeting any other requirement imposed by the Commission pursuant to Ind. Code § 4-33-6-24(d), and (4) receiving plan approval, which approval authority the Commission delegates to the Executive Director.

**IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016**

**THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:**

  
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Cris Johnston, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Joseph Svetajoff, Secretary