

RESOLUTION 2001-8

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE REQUEST OF EMPRESS CASINO HAMMOND CORPORATION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE RIVERBOAT OWNER'S LICENSE

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") adopts the following resolution pursuant to the authority granted to it under IC 4-33 and pursuant to 68 IAC 1-2-6:

The following factors have been considered by the Commission:

1. Empress Casino Hammond Corporation ("Empress") was issued a Riverboat Owner's License on June 6, 1996.
2. By action of the Commission on August 20, 1999, pursuant to Resolution 1999-32, Horseshoe Gaming Holding Corp. acquired one hundred percent (100%) of the ownership interest in Empress, the holder of the Indiana Riverboat Owner's License, and Empress Casino Joliet Corporation.
3. Empress, by letter dated January 19, 2001, has requested the ability to change the name of the holder of the Riverboat Owner's License from Empress Casino Hammond Corporation to Horseshoe Hammond, Inc. A copy of the letter is attached to this resolution.
4. The purpose for the name change is to change the name to be consistent with the other casinos owned by Horseshoe. In addition, the change of name may assist in the sale of the Joliet, Illinois property, anticipating that a buyer may wish to retain the Empress name.
5. Empress has provided assurance to the Commission that no change or transfer of ownership interest, corporate structure or corporate officers and directors has occurred with the renaming of the licensee from Empress Casino Hammond Corporation to Horseshoe Hammond, Inc. Horseshoe Hammond, Inc. will continue to be a wholly owned subsidiary of Horseshoe Gaming Holding Corp., as was Empress.
6. Empress has provided procedures to be followed regarding approval and shipment of gaming chips, tokens, forms, layouts, cards, and dice bearing the new name, and destruction of the aforementioned items bearing the previous name. Empress has also provided its procedure for notifying the public of locations and times for redemption of chips and tokens bearing the Empress name.
7. Conversion of the facility is scheduled to begin in April 2001 until completion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED:

SECTION 1. SCOPE.

This resolution applies to Empress Casino Hammond Corp. and Horseshoe Hammond, Inc.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

The definitions set forth in IC 4-33-2 and 68 IAC apply to this resolution.

SECTION 3. ACTION ON REQUEST TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE RIVERBOAT LICENSE.

The Commission hereby:

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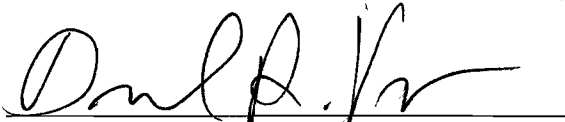
the request of Empress Casino Hammond Corp. to change its name to Horseshoe Hammond, Inc. which would then be the holder of an Indiana Riverboat Owner's License and waives any background investigation fees associated with the name change, subject to the review and approval of the procedures and controls by Commission staff.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This resolution becomes effective as set forth in the above stated conditions.

ADOPTED, THIS THE 2nd DAY OF MARCH 2001:

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:


Donald R. Vowels, Chair

ATTEST:


Thomas Milcarek, Secretary