

ORDER 2014-128
AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION RENEWING THE
CASINO OWNER'S LICENSE AND MODIFYING THE WRITTEN POWER OF
ATTORNEY FOR AMERISTAR EAST CHICAGO, 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 Showboat Marina Casino Partnership effective April 15, 1997. By Resolution 1999-8, the Commission granted Harrah's Operating Company, Inc's application to acquire the Showboat Marina Casino Partnership held by Harrah's Operating Company, Inc. By Order 2007-90, the Commission on September 13, 2007, approved the request of Ameristar East Chicago, LLC ("Ameristar") to acquire the interests of RIH Acquisitions IN, LLC, including the riverboat that is the subject of this license. In Order 2008-61, the Commission approved a request to change the name of the license holder from RIH Acquisitions IN, LLC to Ameristar Casino East Chicago, LLC. By Order 2013-120, the Commission approved of Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc's acquisition of Ameristar Casinos, Inc., the parent company of license-holder Ameristar East Chicago, LLC. Pursuant to Indiana Code 4-33-6-12, the license has been renewed annually since inception. The most recent renewal renewed the casino owner's license through April 14, 2014.

On March 20, 2014, the Commission received Ameristar's requested renewal and payment of its annual renewal fee. On March 31, 2014, under delegation of authority granted by the Commission in Resolution 2003-13, the Executive Director extended Ameristar's license until such time as the Commission is able to consider the request at a regularly scheduled business meeting.

On June 27, 2013, by Order 2013-117, the Commission approved a written power of attorney identifying Angela Frost as trustee-in-waiting for Ameristar. Order 2013-117 stated that it would expire "upon the effectiveness of a subsequent Commission order that either: (1) addresses the renewal of Ameristar's Casino Owner's License; or (2) modifies or withdraws the approval" of Ms. Frost." On March 20, 2014, Ameristar petitioned the Commission to make changes to its Power of Attorney. Ameristar has petitioned to enter into a new Power of Attorney naming Ronald Gifford as trustee-in-waiting, replacing the existing Power of Attorney. Ameristar and Ronald Gifford have executed a Power of Attorney memorializing the terms and conditions of this designation and appointment.

COMMISSION ACTION

Pursuant to Indiana Code section 4-33-6-12, the Commission has found that Ameristar 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 Ameristar's casino owner's license for a period of one year subject to Ameristar 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 is valid for a period of one year from April 15, 2014, through April 14, 2015.

Furthermore, the Commission **APPROVES** termination of the existing written power of attorney and **APPROVES** of Ameristar's request to appoint Ronald Gifford as trustee-in-waiting. The Commission's approval expires upon the effectiveness of a subsequent Commission order that either: (1) addresses the renewal of the licenses; 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.

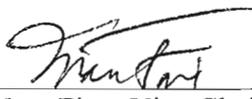
IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 26th DAY OF JUNE, 2014.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:



Matt Bell, Chair

ATTEST:



Marc Fine, Vice Chair