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Mr. David H. Nunes  
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183 Basalt Center Circle, Suite 204  
Basalt, CO 81621

Re: Proposed Milford Casino Development

Dear Mr. Nunes:

The purpose of my letter today is to initiate substantive discussions regarding your proposed casino development in the Town of Milford.

Since you entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Milford in June of 2010, you have shared no details or studies about the impacts of the proposed casino development on Milford or surrounding communities. As you are aware, the Commonwealth's new gaming law requires all casino developers to have an agreement with both the host and surrounding communities, and hold a referendum before applying to the Gaming Commission for a license.

Since you first proposed a casino development in 2009, you have not sponsored a single public meeting presenting the substantive details of your casino proposal. You have not formally solicited input from area residents, business leaders nor local officials. And you haven't provided for public dissemination of any detailed studies outlining the impacts that your casino proposal will have on either the host or surrounding communities.

Meanwhile in other areas of the state, casino developers are and have been engaging in helpful and collaborative dialogue with communities. These open and transparent negotiations are allowing these other towns to become more informed about casino proposals and allowing communities to protect themselves through robust host community agreements or by rejecting the casino proposals outright. The lack of dialogue, outreach and substantive information by you regarding your casino proposal is of great concern. If your proposal is indeed serious, you must engage with the local communities.

In the interest of the communities I represent, and all of those potentially impacted by your proposal, I request definitive responses from you on the following:

1) On what date will you begin a substantive, honest and public dialogue with area residents to address the varied aspects of your casino proposal and its impacts?

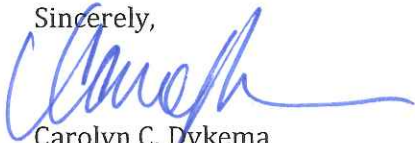
2) Prior to that date, will you produce and publish the following impact studies?:

- traffic impacts in Milford and surrounding areas;
- crime impacts in Milford and surrounding areas;
- impacts on local services in Milford and surrounding areas;
- impacts on local car/home insurance rates in Milford and surrounding areas;
- impacts on education/schools in Milford and surrounding areas;
- impacts on small businesses in Milford and surrounding areas, with a specific focus on small business substitution;
- impacts on Milford's and Holliston's water supply and services; and,
- clarification on which parcels comprise your project and which are intended to be developed.

Again, given that you initially presented the concept of a Milford casino more than two years ago, I assume that these afore-mentioned studies have been completed and expect that you will be able to deliver that information immediately. Finally, I expect that you will be eager to hold a series of public meetings to engender widespread discussion of all potential impacts.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this or any other related matters. As you are aware, a timely schedule that encourages full public participation and discussion of these matters is essential.

Sincerely,



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