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May 17, 2006

#### Via U.S. Mail

Dr. Chadd Everone, Ph.D. 2054 University Avenue, #407 Berkeley, California 94704

Re:

Sheep Ranch Rancheria of MeWuk Indians

Dear Dr. Everone:

Enclosed for your files, please find copies of the following documents:

- 1. Memorandum of Understanding between Yakima Dixie & the Sheep Ranch Rancheria of MeWuk Indians and Midstate Consultants, LLC. dated April 30, 2006 (the "Sheep Ranch MOU"); and
- Memorandum of Understanding between yourself and Midstate Consultants, LLC, dated April 25, 2006.

As required by Paragraph 1(i) of the Sheep Ranch MOU, please provide us with an itemized statement of the tribal expenses and legal expenses. Please mail the statement to the attention of Jeanne C. Pavao at the address at the top of this letter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jeanne Pavao or me. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Tracey Marquit

Paralegal

**Enclosures** 

Mike Romero (w/encls.) CC:

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Between

# YAKIMA DIXIE & THE SHEEP RANCH RANCHERIA OF MEWUK INDIANS And MIDSTATE CONSULTANTS, LLC

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Memorandum") is made and entered into this <u>20</u> day of April, 2006 by and between Yakima Dixie ("Yakima") and the Sheep Ranch Rancheria of MeWuk Indians aka California Valley MiWork Tribe (the "Tribe") and Midstate Consultants, LLC ("Consultant").

- 1. The parties hereby agree that the April 23, 2004 Consulting Agreement ("Consulting Agreement") between Yakima, the Tribe and Consultant is hereby reinstated effective as of the date set forth above subject to the following conditions:
  - (i) Within five (5) days of execution of this Memorandum, Consultant shall loan Yakima and the Tribe the sum of \$30,000 for the sole purpose of paying outstanding tribal expenses in the approximate amount of \$10,000 and outstanding legal fees incurred in assisting Yakima in his pursuit of state and federal recognition of his leadership and control of the Tribe (or leadership and control of the Tribe by Velma WhiteBear or a tribal member of lineal descendant to Mabel Hodge Dixie) in the approximate amount of \$20,000. Yakima shall provide Consultant with an itemized statement of such expenses. The loan shall be repaid in accordance with the schedule contained in Exhibit "A" to the Consulting Agreement;
  - (ii) The monthly stipend of \$3,500 set forth in Exhibit "A" to the Consulting Agreement shall be brought current only upon the occurrence of the following events:
    - (a) A constitution for the Tribe is approved by the federal government;
    - (b) Yakima, Velma WhiteBear or a tribal member of lineal descendant to Mabel Hodge Dixie is recognized by the state and federal governments and any other applicable agencies as the tribal leader;
    - (c) Silvia Burley is acknowledged by the state and federal governments and any other applicable agencies to no longer be the tribal leader or spokesperson for the Tribe.
- 2. By their signatures below, William B. Martin, LeRoi Chappelle, Michael Babcock and Philip Peck acknowledge and reaffirm that the Martin-

Chappelle Agreement and the Babcock-Peck Agreement referred to in Recital H of the Consulting Agreement are each subordinate to the Consulting Agreement and this Memorandum and will continue to be subordinate to any Management Contract to be entered into between Consultant and Yakima or the Tribe. By their signatures below, William B. Martin, LeRoi Chappelle, Michael Babcock and Philip Peck hereby also reaffirm the Addenda to the Subordination Agreements dated May 15, 2004.

- 3. Except as provided herein, all other provisions of the Consulting Agreement are hereby reinstated including but not limited to Paragraph 5 thereof which provides Consultant with the option to negotiate a Management Contract with the Tribe pursuant to the provisions thereof.
- 4. By her signature below, Velma WhiteBear hereby agrees that, should she be appointed or elected to any leadership position in the Tribe, she will comply with the terms set forth in the Consulting Agreement and all collateral agreements thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed and delivered as of the date first written above.

The Sheep Ranch Rancheria of MeWuk Indians also known as the California Valley MiWok Tribe of Indians

Ву	
	Yakima Dixie, Chief  14 Chema, Dialie
Mi	Yakima Dixie, individual  dstate Consultants, LLC, a California limited liability company
Ву	Albert D. Seeno, Jr., Managing Member
	Michael Babcock
	Philip Peck
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William B. Martin

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# Peppermill licensees fined for criminal associations

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LAS VEGAS — State gambling regulators levied a \$775,000 fine Friday against Nevada casino licensee Albert D. Seeno Jr. over a complaint involving his association with convicted felons.

The commission voted 4-1 in favor of the fine, which was part of a settlement between Seeno and the Nevada Gaming Control Board, the commission's investigative arm.

Seeno's son, Albert D. Seeno III, also was fined \$25,000 for associating with felons.

Neither man was present at the commission's meeting in Las Vegas.

The complaint stems from an association with Victor Bustos, who works at Seeno Jr.'s construction firm. Bustos pleaded guilty in a drug-related case in 2001 and received a one-year suspended sentence.

The complaint also says Seeno Jr. associated with Arthur Carasis, a member of the Hell's Angels motorcycle gang. Carasis was convicted of the false use of a contractor's license and distributing methamphetamine.

The complaint against Seeno Jr. was filed earlier this year and also included charges he knowingly destroyed a habitat of threatened California red-legged frogs during a construction project in California.

Seeno Jr. is licensed through a trust for 15.4 percent in Peppermill Casinos Inc., owner of the Rainbow Club and Casino in Henderson, the Peppermill in Reno, Western Village in Sparks and two casinos in Wendover.

He also is president and owner of West Coast Home Buildings. During work on a housing project in Pittsburg, Calif., Seeno Jr. told an employee to drain ponds at the site, knowing the California red-legged frogs, a federally threatened species, were present.

He pleaded guilty to two counts of violating federal law and was fined more than \$1 million. He also paid \$550,000 in civil penalties in Contra Costa County for violating California regulations.

Commissioner John T. Moran voted against the settlement, saying he had concerns about Seeno Jr.'s conduct in California

"It simply amazed me that given some of these allegations that we would end up with a stipulated settlement," said Moran, a former state wildlife commissioner.

Seeno Jr.'s lawyer Frank Schreck said his client understands the seriousness of his actions and has taken responsibility by agreeing to the settlement.

"He has already felt the wrath of the federal government and California," Schreck said. "He has paid dearly for that exercise in judgment."

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