CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Again I’d like to thank our presenters this afternoon for their patience and thank you for being here. Mr. Finnegan, Mr. Scheppach, we are most anxious to hear your recommendations to this Commission, but before we get started, Commissioner Loescher has requested of the Chair to have a couple of minutes to make a comment. And then we’ll get right to your presentation.

Commissioner Loescher?

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Yes. Thank you very much, Madam Chair. And I appreciate this diversion from the agenda a little bit. I would like just to clarify the record a little bit.

There are 198 compacts, as opposed to the 168 that was quoted by ACIR.

The other is that I made inquiry to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the National Indian Gaming Commission within the last hour. And I am told that if they dial Mr. George Skibine, (202) 273-3153 by fax or telephone, (202) 219-4066 --

CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Is anyone from ACIR in the room at this point?

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: I was just saying this for the record, that they can make a call. Madam Chairman, they can make a call, and they will get all of the compacts and the ordinances they want.

There will be a fee for the duplication. It will cost them somewhere between three and six thousand dollars to get this
information. But it is available, and there is no problem to get it.

So, for the record, I just wanted to offer that for the Commission.

CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER WILHELM: Maybe we should give Commissioner Loescher a cut of the ACIR fee.

CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Thank you.