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## Quarterly Tribal Gaming Contributions to Arizona Rose 0.6 Percent

PHOENIX — Quarterly tribal contributions from Indian gaming revenue to the state of Arizona increased 0.6 percent from the same period a year ago, the Arizona Department of Gaming said today.

The tribes' combined contributions for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 2007 was approximately \$15.2 million, compared to approximately \$15.1 million in the same quarter a year ago.

Under the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact, tribes that operate casinos contribute one to eight percent of their Class III net win to the state, cities, towns and counties. State and local governments use the tribal contributions for education, healthcare, wildlife conservation, tourism and other programs. Tribes send contributions to the state Arizona Benefits Fund every three months. Net win is the difference between a casino's gaming wins and losses, before casino costs and expenses are deducted. Class III gaming includes jackpot poker, slot machines, blackjack, keno and off-track pari-mutuel betting.

Here is how the quarterly tribal contributions in the Arizona Benefits Fund were distributed:

<b>TOTAL tribal contributions for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 2007</b>	<b>\$15,219,081.00</b>
Instructional Improvement Fund/Education:	\$ 7,585,189.97
Trauma and Emergency Services Fund:	\$ 3,792,594.99
Administrative and regulatory expenses (Arizona Department of Gaming):	\$ 1,369,717.29
Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund:	\$ 1,083,598.57
State Tourism Fund:	\$ 1,083,598.57
Problem Gambling Education, Treatment and Prevention:	\$ 304,381.61

Since the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact was signed in 2003, tribes have contributed more than \$379 million to the state, cities, towns and counties.

The Arizona Department of Gaming, in partnership with Arizona's tribes, regulates Indian gaming. There are 15 tribes that operate 22 Class III casinos in the state.

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