

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:01 AM
To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
Subject: PGCB - Submission Received

David Schulte,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5932**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I thought it odd that college township actually went out of their way to make sure that there was somewhere in the township that was zoned to permit legal gambling. Public sentiment in the township seems to be overwhelmingly opposed to gambling, so one wonders why there is this disconnect between what the residents want and what the township government has done and will do.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/24/2022 2:58:12 PM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:02 AM
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Jonathan Keim,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5933**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Jonathan Keim

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I do not support in any fashion placing a casino/slots facility at the Nittany Mall, nor any other location in Centre County. Gambling offers no benefits to our community that are not outweighed, and dramatically so, by the costs. Please do not approve this project.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/24/2022 6:01:08 PM

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:05 AM
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Elise Smalley,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5934**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

I grew up near Saratoga Springs, one of the safest cities in NY that's known for its gambling. Casinos offer not only gambling but also a space for adults that isn't focused solely on alcohol. It could add another performance venue potentially to our region as well that is unaffiliated with the college. It will also add more jobs that are not in the downtown area so parking and transportation will be less of a challenge than employment in the borough.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/24/2022 9:15:05 PM

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:06 AM
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Andy Keppel,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5936**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

The support infrastructure in and around State College is not able to support any more weekend traffic. There are already too many cases of price gouging by hotels for so many weekend events that attract non-residents of Center County and the other services needed to support the weekend swell of visitors cannot support any additional traffic from a Casino.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 10:10:08 AM

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Ricky Bunning,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5937**.

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Ricky Bunning

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

The financial benefits and job opportunities from this casino for us residents and taxpayers would have a positive impact on local school tax and unemployment. The PA Skills games are unregulated, untamed and doesn't provide a lot of job opportunities.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 10:35:45 AM

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James R Carlson,

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

Establishing a mini-casino in State College can only help the area's economy. Its location -- The Nittany Mall -- can be brought back to vibrancy with the casino and its restaurants and entertainment. That may well spark storeowners to want to open businesses either in the mall or nearby. This isn't the 1920s; casinos don't attract mobs and gangs and create dangerous situations. They create entertainment and excitement. Does a person have to be careful with his or her financial resources inside a casino? Of course. But people must be smart about each of their financial decisions. Students, too, can make the decision on whether to attend the casino. It's not like they can walk there; they also can seek entertainment, something Centre County is lacking in many aspects. The good that a casino can bring far outweighs any disadvantages, none of which come to my mind at the moment. Please proceed with this particular business/entertainment venture as quickly as possible.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 11:15:23 AM

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Charles W Wakefield,

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT
I am in favor of the casino

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 11:19:17 AM

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Marc H McCann,

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

Literature suggests that while communities experience an initial boost in economy when a new casino is built, they then experience the opposite effect and there is an increase in crime and other negative outcomes. The modest initial gains are unsustainable, and gambling-related problems (including addiction) lead to negative socioeconomic outcomes to the host communities: <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41599-022-01055-1> My (limited) personal experience in casinos stems from occasional trips with friends while traveling to observe, from Reno and Las Vegas to Windsor, Ontario and Pittsburgh and Atlantic City, is that these are depressing places frequented by down-and-out and desperate people, many of whom are making poor decisions fed by false hope or a gambling addiction. Keep the casino out of our town, as it'd be one more temptation for our college students, younger students (high school), and those who can afford it least. *If these folks want a casino experience, they can drive to Pittsburgh or Harrisburg to get it.

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Rob Peeler,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT
I support this casino.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 12:46:49 PM

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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Vickie Trunnell,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

Gambling is a slippery slope and negatively effects people in many ways. While it may bring in a few jobs, the negative far outweighs the positive. The money earned from the casino will take away from local businesses. I believe that it will negatively effect students, who won't live too far from the casino. This will have them failing on life before they really even get started. The temptation is too large, and there's more of a tendency of doing 'get rich quick' schemes than older adults. Let's not set up our community and our students for failure. I fully oppose a casino.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 1:02:21 PM

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Shasta D Langenbacher,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Shasta D Langenbacher

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

This would be of great benefit to the region and would provide a safe venue for additional entertainment. It would be nice to have one more thing to draw people to Centre County. If people are concerned that gambling addictions might rise, propose having an additional part of PSU orientations covering the signs and symptoms of gambling addictions. This information can also be included at other public venues and festivals.

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David Mierwald,

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

I think this would bring too many people into the area just looking to party and we get enough of that on football weekends.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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Janice L Hemminger,

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

I would hope the approval for the casino would go forward. It would bring jobs and revenue to the area. There is a casino in Washington Pa near a university and it does not cause any negative effects.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 3:48:45 PM

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Janet Neff,

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Janet Neff

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

I think it is a good idea to approve this casino. It will bring in income for the county. Plus people who want to gamble won't have to drive a long distance.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 6:19:06 PM

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Kurtis L Rooker,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

My wife and I recently purchased a home in Houseville. We are both in our mid thirties and our property on Mitch Ave is our first home. We moved from Reading, PA because it was too congested, noisy and never felt like home. Since moving weâ€™ve been excited about beginning our new lives in a place that has most everything a family is looking for: rather easy access to downtown, a multitude of places to shop for essentials and variety of outdoor activities, including hiking Mount Nittany and biking the large network of connecting trails. I canâ€™t see how a casino adds any value to those things that attract people to this area. Property value is likely to take a hit in the surrounding area, a real problem for those buying and those who are looking to buy in an already inflated market. You can be sure that Lemont will lose its appeal as the traffic through that small, serene area is already far too heavy. 26 is likely to explode with traffic and Houseville is already plagued with the sound created by large trucks traveling 99. Not to mention, there is already enough happening downtown with the traffic created by the university. HAS ANYONE THOUGHT ABOUT A TIME WHEN COVID IS NO LONGER AND PSU TRAFFIC MEETS FUTURE CASINO TRAFFIC? That feels like a time and place Iâ€™d rather avoid. My vote is no, as in hell no. Kurtis Rooker, PT P.S. I travel for work as a physical therapist providing in-home care to Centre Countyâ€™s 65 and older population. Iâ€™d like to continue to do that without additional congestion/traffic.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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Hillary Carter,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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Daniel Sharp,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID 5955.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION
I strongly oppose the proposed casino in Centre County.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 8:09:40 PM

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:43 AM
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Stephen M Hilton,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5957**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

As a long-time resident of the State College Area and one who enjoys taking a turn at the slots or trying the tables, I urge you to award the license for a middle of the State mini casino to the applicants for the space at the Nittany Mall. There should be no reason that residents need to drive 2 hours or more in any given direction to visit a gaming facility. Being conveniently located off Interstate 99 and near I-80, this seems to be a logical location to bring gaming to the masses who want it. Additionally the potential economic boom to the mall, to the hotel and restaurant industry and to local tourism would be a win-win for all. Those who oppose are free to avoid the facility if they so choose but I believe the potential pros more than outweigh the cons of this venture. Please vote YES to award a license to the State College Region. thank you

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 9:20:56 PM

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Jeremy Amaismeier,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Jeremy Amaismeier
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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed casino in State College. These kinds of establishments bring demonstrable harm to the communities they are in and those surrounding them. Having had a grandfather who couldn't go a week without gambling, I've seen firsthand the impacts a place like this has on families. Please say `no` to putting a predatory business like this in our community.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/25/2022 9:34:26 PM

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Michael H Sienkiewicz,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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WRITING in SUPPORT
I fully support the casino going in

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/26/2022 1:07:46 PM

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James Allerheiligen,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

I think it would breathe new life into the dying mall

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/26/2022 3:34:30 PM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 9:49 AM
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Jeffrey M Powers,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5961**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Jeffrey M Powers

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Special Needs:

WRITING in SUPPORT

Operating a business in the State College area can be difficult during the summer months when Penn State Main Campus is not in full session. I believe this casino would help bring much needed additional revenue to surrounding businesses during these lower revenue times of year. Thank you.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/26/2022 4:45:30 PM

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John E Summerson,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

As much as I appreciate the desire to stimulate the local economy, it seems like a casino is more likely to accrue money from the socioeconomically disadvantaged. Poor folks tend to be the ideal consumer for casinos, at least according to a paper published in The Journal of Behavioral Addictions in June 2014 (<https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2014/01/001.html>). It's been a hard few years. People are looking for a way out of all sorts of hardship -- and financial precarity is certainly a leading factor -- with inflation, and all. A casino would draw cash out of the most vulnerable populations in the area, creating increased instability. Anecdotally, I've seen this lead to more substance abuse, violence, and houselessness. I think a casino would be a largely harmful force in the community.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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Jamie N English,

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

This city can't accommodate any more people, especially when College is in session. There is no low income housing close enough to house the type of workers needed to work in a casino. We can't even staff the businesses already in existence because low-income workers can't afford to live here, let alone pay for gas to drive here. The entire city needs overhauled with Penn State's assistance to upgrade the roads and housing.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/28/2022 10:32:45 AM

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Bruce Grinder,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

I support the license application for the casino in Centre County at the Nittany Mall. I believe that the economic benefits to our community will outweigh the negative impacts that it may also generate. Further, since the potential casino operator is operating within due guidelines for a permitted activity, I believe that there would require a high bar to deny the permit, not simply the comment, 'I don't want it.' with no verifiable reasoning. Thank you

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/30/2022 8:12:07 AM

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Kathleen M McKinnon,

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

As a longtime resident of State College, I oppose the proposed casino slated for the Nittany Mall. Our town is home to Penn State University, and as such, we host the many thousands of students who attend the University. Their families send them to University Park to live and learn. Without the University, our community would be a shadow of what it is - the University and the students, directly and indirectly, benefit State College and Centre County. As hosts to these young, vulnerable students, we have a responsibility to help keep them safe. The development of a casino puts them at serious risk. As a community, we do not need a casino. There are several throughout the state and within driving distance. Employment does not justify the casino. Centre County does not have high unemployment, and any new business will add employment. In the long run, the casino corporation will pull more money out of the region than it will contribute. To be good stewards of our college students and our community, we need to think beyond immediate gain to what is sustainable and beneficial to our community. History shows that casinos are neither sustainable nor beneficial. I appreciate the opportunity to voice my opinion, and I hope it resonates with the board. Sincerely, Kate McKinnon

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

5/31/2022 5:55:59 PM

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Susan Person,

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Susan Person

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Special Needs:

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There are many disadvantages to having a casino in our community. Please do not approve it. Thank you.

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6/6/2022 3:30:58 PM

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Tsultrim Datso,

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

As a citizen and professional psychologist, I strongly oppose granting a license for a casino to be located in the Nittany Mall area of Centre County for the following reasons: 1. This college town and county already have the public health problems of addiction to alcohol and opioids. A casino would provide easy opportunities for developing gambling addictions. 2. Casinos contribute to problems such as disturbing the peace, interpersonal conflict in private and public, and economic hardship. 3. In a community and time when many people are stressed and depressed due to the pandemic, economic challenges, academic pressures and world events, developing a gambling disorder is more common. 4. A casino in our area is not a good example of a sustainable, life-giving activity for 40,000 students. The fact that the main investor was a member of the Penn State University Board of Trustees suggests profiting from the very students he was charged with protecting, educating, and preparing to launch into life as happy and productive citizens. There are many other kinds of investment projects that would enhance rather than detract from the wellbeing of residents in Centre County. Thank you for considering my sincere comments.

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Sandra L Adams,

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Special Needs:
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Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 10:04 AM
To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
Subject: PGCB - Submission Received

Dean Christian,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5969**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I would like to go on record with my opposition to the proposed casino in State College, PA. I do not want a casino built anywhere near our town. As a State College Borough resident, raising my family in the town, I have grave concerns about the long term effects on the local population. There are numerous studies that show the path from gambling, to addiction, to broken families, bankruptcy, and increased levels of crime. With the large student population at Penn State University I believe that a casino would prey on a vulnerable demographic.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/10/2022 8:51:28 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 10:05 AM
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Langston J Fitzgerald III,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5970**.

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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/11/2022 2:45:51 PM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

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Mardi Frye-Dunklebarger,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Mardi Frye-Dunklebarger

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I am opposed to the proposed casino. A casino at the Nittany Mall would bring increased gambling addiction, poverty, and crime to our community in State College.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 7:39:28 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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David Dunklebarger,

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

A casino at the Nittany Mall would bring increased gambling addiction, poverty, and crime to our community in State College.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 7:43:15 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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Joseph C Griffin,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5972**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

Although local tax revenue and jobs make this project appealing to decision-makers, the damage it would inflict on Penn State students provides sufficient grounds for discontinuing it. It is folly to reduce the effectiveness of our County's principal industry, Penn State. There can be little doubt that the proposed casino will injure hundreds of students annually and thus lower the value of Penn State as an educational destination. We should protect the golden goose that serves as the foundation for much that we value in Centre County.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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Joanna G Jones,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5974**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I oppose the casino build in my township. Our relatively small police force and EMTs are not equipped to deal with the issues gambling clientele bring in. College students are already a constant issue with behavior, alcohol, and medical needs. Intentionally drawing people to town when we have full hotels, full employment, and no affordable housing so some millionaire can make more millions off gambling (and the state of PA can too) is not something we need or want. Build us some Section 8 housing for the good folks working so hard in a bad economy, but I'd sooner see the mall razed for that than become a casino.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 8:29:01 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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Margaret Higgins,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5975**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

This casino threatens the economic health of the most vulnerable populations in our community who are lured by a quick distraction from boredom and loneliness, and primarily benefits a corporation, not the local economy. In the current economic climate, seniors and low-income residents are increasingly challenged to cover basic expenses. Quoting David From in his article, 'A Good Way to Wreck a Local Economy: Build Casinos' published in The Atlantic, 'Affluent and educated people visit casinos less often than poorer people do for the same reasons that they smoke less and drink less and weigh less.' The benefits of a casino are grossly overstated. 'Casinos donâ€™t encourage non-gaming businesses to open nearby, because the people who most often visit casinos do not wander out to visit other shops and businesses. A casino is not like a movie theater or a sports stadium, offering a time-limited amusement. It is designed to be an all-absorbing environment that does not release its customers until they have exhausted their money.' Other Pennsylvania casinos are struggling to sustain revenue due to market saturation. The last thing we need to add to the Nittany Mall property is a shuttered casino.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 9:31:50 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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David werner,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:
WRITING in OPPOSITION

I was a two term Ferguson Township Supervisor. I was a three year chief of staff at Mt. Nittany Med. Center. I began my ophthalmology practice in State College in 1978. My wife, Susan Werner, was on the school board for 11 years and president for 7 years. We both hold a variety of other board positions in State College. We are both strongly opposed to a casino in State College/Bellefonte. It will have a negative social and financial impact on our community.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 9:54:23 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
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Jennifer Robertson-Oesterling,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Jennifer Robertson-Oesterling

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I am opposed to the proposed Casino at Nittany Mall as these type of gaming establishments typically have significant negative impacts on the local community.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 10:39:37 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 10:24 AM
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Brett R Oesterling,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I am opposed to the proposed Casino at Nittany Mall due to the negative impacts these establishments can have on the local community.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 10:43:31 AM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 10:25 AM
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Melissa L Brannen,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID 5980.

Hearing: SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021

Melissa L Brannen
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Special Needs:
WRITING in SUPPORT

I would like to resoundingly support the proposal to transform a portion of the Nittany Mall to a casino. I grew up in a community with a large vibrant mall that brought many jobs and dollars to the area. Century III Mall (West Mifflin, PA) which once thrived, now looks like something out of a post-apocalyptic movie. Not only are there no longer any businesses and no tax revenues coming in, but it is a blight on the community. It makes me feel awful every time I visit my family in the area. What once brought vitality to the area has become a burden on the community. Although Nittany Mall is not as large as Century III Mall and in much earlier stages of dying out completely, I see the same symptoms. Nittany Mall is on a path to succumbing to the same fate. Rather than letting the mall die, let's re-use this space for recreational gaming and performances. In addition to the direct jobs and foot traffic that it will bring to the mall, it will help to support all of our small businesses. Our small businesses thrive on football weekends and other large Penn State events, but this would be a destination all year round to add to the mix to keep revenues more consistent. Instead of continuing on its downward spiral, Nittany mall can be used for something that will keep more dollars in State College, give visitors a reason to stay a bit longer and spend more money, create good paying service jobs, and inject more tax revenue into the community. I know that the people against the casino are much louder, but I have my doubts that they are in the majority. They just have more passion against gambling in general and are good at organizing/activism. The thing is, they don't have to go to the casino, but can still enjoy the economic benefits. Many of the arguments that I see are regarding gambling addicts, increases in crime, and moral objections. With online gambling legal in PA, addicts are throwing away money in the privacy of their own homes. I don't see a local casino increasing the problem that already exists. The solution is for them to get help, not to limit recreational gaming for those who don't have a problem. Use some of the tax revenue to do just that and help the online gamblers have rehabilitation options locally. Also, there are enough casinos spread across PA that there is no threat of a significant increase in the concentration of crime in this specific area to worry about versus the economic gains. I look to the mall in Greensburg (Live! Casino) that I visited with my father as a successful example of revitalizing a dying mall. I was shocked at how much busier the area was compared to the last time I was there (pre-pandemic even). You could see groups meeting in the parking lot and splitting up between shopping and the casinos. For us, we spent a few hours gambling. I shopped for a bit while my Dad played a while longer and then we explored the area until we found a restaurant to try. It was a great day trip for us to a community that we normally would have zero reason to visit. These are all reasons why I think the community should embrace the idea, but on a more personal level, I would love to be able to go to a casino in my own community instead of traveling to Pittsburgh, Greensburg, or Harrisburg like I do now. I have been going on adult family recreational gambling outings like these for 30 years and will continue to do so. I know my Dad will visit more if the casino opens. It may not be "high-brow" entertainment, but we enjoy it and it's more affordable than tickets to a show at the

Bryce Jordan. I am also hoping that the casino will bring in more live national entertainment that may not be a good fit for the Bryce Jordan or the State Theatre. I typically like casino entertainment because the tickets are more affordable than other national live entertainment acts and are different than what we already have here in the community. Finally, I think the casino will attract more retail shops which would be a welcome change. We have limited choices now and it would be nice to not have to do my clothes shopping in Altoona or Pittsburgh and maybe purchase less things online. I always try to buy local first, but with more small businesses failing, I do more and more online. My conclusion is that the casino isn't a bad thing. In fact, I think it will be good for the community. You can look at the numbers on both sides of the argument to make your case, but both sides are cherry picking studies and statistics that support their arguments. Widespread legalized gambling is new-ish in PA and the new models really do change things making old studies no longer applicable. The variables have changed too much to be able to use any of these studies as predictors and admittedly, my experiences are anecdotal. However, we also need to look at the whole picture and use some common sense. I hope more voices who see the casino as an alternative to mall blight and as a likely injection of dollars into local community are heard.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 12:22:05 PM

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Alan R Popovich,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5981**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

Please DO NOT allow the casino to be built in College Township. I work 2.5 miles from the proposed casino and live in a quaint, safe and quiet National Historic District. The fact that no other township nor municipality in the Centre Region is testimony that this project will does not have public support. Concerns, to name only a few, include 1) having a detrimental impact on the quality of life in Lemont and College Township, 2) detrimental to the safety of the community, 3) adjacent to Penn State and targeting the high risk young adult student population, 4) opening the door for increased crime, 5) decreasing property values in the Historic district and Township, and 6) running risk of encouraging increased poverty and 7) information supplied to the Township is generally inaccurate and being spun as being advantageous. PLEASE SAY NO TO THE CASINO IN COLLEGE TOWNSHIP. We love this and the University's surrounding area as it is and wish to maintain the quality of life we cherish.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 3:10:35 PM

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 10:34 AM
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Christine Popovich,

The following submission has been received for forwarding from Registrant ID **5982**.

Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Christine Popovich

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

I am concerned about what the negative impact the gambling industry will bring to our community and neighborhoods.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 4:14:12 PM

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From: Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board <pgcb@pa.gov>
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Katherine H Restori,

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Hearing: **SC Gaming OpCo, LLC Centre County - August 16, 2021**

Katherine H Restori

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Special Needs:

WRITING in OPPOSITION

My husband and I believe that having a casino in the area will increase crime and also be detrimental to the mental health of citizens, especially young college students.

--Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

6/12/2022 4:15:07 PM