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GAMING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER ST. LOUIS CASINO EXPANSION

JEFFERSON CITY, Missouri - Missouri Gaming Commission Chairman Floyd
Bartch announced today that the Commission would take up consideration of
the prioritization of proposals for new casinos in St. Louis sometime in
early September. The Commission had hoped to take up the matter at its
regularly scheduled meeting on August 25, 2004. However, one of the
Commissioners is unable to travel to St. Louis on August 25 prompting
Chairman Bartch to delay consideration of expansion in St. Louis until
all members can be present. "This is an important issue that demands the
presence of all five Commissioners," Bartch said. "Due to an unforeseen
issue, one of the Commissioners will not be available until early
September. We will work around this problem and announce a meeting date
as soon as possible."

Bartch said that the agenda for the August 25, 2004 telephonic meeting would involve routine, non-controversial business.

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