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Dear Assistant Secretary Newland and OIG Director Hart:

I am writing this letter to you as the Executive Director of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce in support of economic development and business growth in our region. For ten years, the Coquille's have been working on the process of establishing a casino in Medford proving their dedication and commitment to the project and region.

Needed jobs would be created for the region and the Coquille have already shown investment in the community with supporting economic development and jobs. The build out of their campus of 2.4 acres would expand these efforts. Surveys of local residents conducted at the time the project was announced showed widespread support in Medford and throughout Jackson County for their facility.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Sandra Slattery**  
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