

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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THE SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF  
CHIPPEWA INDIANS,  
*Plaintiff,*

v.

DAVID L. BERNHARDT, in his official  
capacity as Secretary of the Interior, and  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE  
INTERIOR,  
*Defendants,*

SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN TRIBE OF  
MICHIGAN; NOTTAWASEPPI HURON  
BAND OF THE POTAWATOMI; MGM  
GRAND DETROIT, L.L.C.; DETROIT  
ENTERTAINMENT, L.L.C.; GREEKTOWN  
CASINO, L.L.C.;  
*Intervenors.*

Case No. 1:18-cv-2035

**NOTICE**

Plaintiff the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby gives notice that it is currently taking final steps to reconvey the “Lansing Parcel” to the City of Lansing at the City’s request. *See* Sault MSJ 17 n.7 (Dkt. 43); Sault Opp. 53 (Dkt. 56). Although the Tribe currently holds title to parts of the Lansing Parcel and although its Comprehensive Development Agreement with Lansing is not yet formally wound up, the Tribe expects the reconveyance to be finalized in the near future. As the Tribe has explained, the planned reconveyance of the Lansing Parcel does not affect the Tribe’s request in counts I and II of the Complaint for vacatur of the Trust Denial Order, which also rests on the Department’s refusal to take the Sibley Parcel into trust. *See* Sault MSJ 17 n.7; Sault Opp. 52-53. In light of these developments, however, the Tribe believes that its request in count III for an order compelling the Department to take the

Lansing Parcel into trust is effectively moot, and the Tribe accordingly limits its request for such relief to the “Sibley Parcel.”

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Respectfully submitted,

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