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#### REPLY BRIEF

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### I. SECTION 2(d) REFUSAL

Applicant raised the <a href="www.mysticmotel.com">www.mystic-dunesresort.com</a> websites in its original response to the non-final office action so such references were part of the record and should be considered. Moreover, the inability of geographic expansion of the Mystic Lake Casino Hotel or any other use of Mystic by the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community outside of the tribal lands was also raised in the response to the non-final office action and should be considered.

# A. No Likelihood of Consumer Confusion Because the Marks are Dissimilar in Their Entireties as to Appearance, Sounds, Connotation and Commercial Impression.

It is worth reiterating, as set forth in the Appeal Brief, that the inclusion of "Motel" in the Applicant's Mark immediately infers a property distinct from a Hotel (i.e., Mystic Lake Casino Hotel). While hotels and motels each provide lodging, consumers perceive the terms differently which shall mitigate any consumer confusion.

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B. <u>No Likelihood of Consumer Confusion Because the Conditions Under</u> Which Consumers Encounter the Goods and the Marks.

Selecting a place to lodge is something undertaken with significant research. That is, consumers looking to visit or reside in hotels and motels are not impulse purchasers. Such consumers are going to spend time and effort determining which property to visit or reside in

before doing so.

C. No Likelihood of Consumer Confusion Because of the Number of Similar

Marks in Use.

See Appeal Brief.

D. No Likelihood of Consumer Confusion Because the Extent of the Potential

for Confusion is Limited.

See Appeal Brief.

II. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that there is no likelihood of confusion between Applicant's Mark and the Cited Mark such that the pending application

should be placed in condition for publication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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