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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

June 8, 2005

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New York, New York 10036-6522

Re: *Proposed Acquisition of Caesars Tahoe by Columbia Sussex, File No. 051-0073*

Dear Mr. Stoll:

The Federal Trade Commission ("Commission") conducted a nonpublic investigation to determine whether the proposed acquisition of Caesars Tahoe by Columbia Sussex may violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act or Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act.

Upon reviewing this matter, it now appears that no additional action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

By direction of the Commission.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donald S. Clark".

Donald S. Clark  
Secretary



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