## MOHEGAN TRIBAL GAMING AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF FINANCING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF EXPOSITION AND CONVENTION CENTER

Uncasville, CT, April 19, 2017 – The Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, or the Authority, the owner of Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Connecticut, and Mohegan Sun Pocono in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, announced today that it has closed on its financing for the construction of its planned \$80 million, 240,000-square-foot exposition and convention center. The exposition and convention center will be located adjacent to and fully integrated into the Authority's flagship property in Connecticut, Mohegan Sun, and is expected to open in the summer of 2018.

"With this financing in place, we are excited to proceed with the construction phase of the project and look forward to its planned opening next summer," said Mario C. Kontomerkos, Chief Financial Officer of the Authority. "Mohegan Sun currently turns away tens of thousands of meeting room requests every year. This new amenity will provide us with much needed exposition and meeting space to capture these requests and will continue to solidify Mohegan Sun as the Northeast's preeminent gaming and non-gaming destination."

## About the Authority

The Authority is an instrumentality of the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or the Tribe, a federally recognized Indian tribe with an approximately 595-acre reservation situated in southeastern Connecticut, adjacent to Uncasville, Connecticut. The Authority has been granted the exclusive authority to conduct and regulate gaming activities on the existing reservation of the Tribe, including the operation of Mohegan Sun, a gaming and entertainment complex located on an approximately 185-acre site on the Tribe's reservation. Through its subsidiary, Downs Racing, L.P., the Authority also owns and operates Mohegan Sun Pocono, a gaming and entertainment facility located on an approximately 400-acre site in Plains Township, Pennsylvania, and several off-track wagering facilities located elsewhere in Pennsylvania.

The Tribe's gaming operation at Mohegan Sun is one of only two legally authorized gaming operations in southern New England offering traditional slot machines and table games. Mohegan Sun currently operates in an approximately 5 million square-foot facility, which includes Casino of the Earth, Casino of the Sky, Casino of the Wind, 100,000 square feet of retail space, including The Shops at Mohegan Sun, a 10,000-seat Mohegan Sun Arena, a 350-seat Cabaret Theatre, 100,000 square feet of meeting and convention space, the 1,200-room luxury Sky Hotel Tower and the 400-room Earth Hotel Tower. Mohegan Sun Pocono operates in an approximately 400,000 square-foot facility, offering traditional slot machines and table games, live harness racing and simulcast and off-track wagering, a 238-room hotel, 20,000 square feet of meeting and convention space, several dining and retail options and a bus passenger lounge. More information about the Authority and its properties can be obtained by visiting <u>www.mohegansun.com</u>, <u>www.mohegansunpocono.com</u>, or <u>www.mtga.com</u>.

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