

United States District Court For the Northern District of California United States District Court For the Northern District of California

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The court has received numerous motions for leave to submit memoranda on behalf of proposed amicus curiae. Doc ##128, 370, 373, 374, 375, 377, 382, 383, 386, 537, 539, 550, 551, 554, 555, 558, 561, 562, 566, 568, 570, 576. The parties have replied to the merits of the proposed memoranda, and no party has objected to the court granting leave to file the memoranda. Doc ##604, 607.

7 The court may welcome amicus curiae submissions 8 "concerning legal issues that have potential ramifications beyond 9 the parties directly involved or if the amicus has unique 10 information or perspective that can help the court beyond the help 11 that the lawyers for the parties are able to provide." NGV Gaming, 12 Ltd v Upstream Point Molate, LLC, 355 FSupp2d 1061, 1067 (ND Cal 13 2005) (citations omitted). Because the proposed amicus curiae 14 satisfy this modest standard, the motions listed above for leave to 15 submit memoranda on behalf of amicus curiae are GRANTED. The court 16 will determine separately how much weight to give to the memoranda.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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VAUGHN R WALKER United States District Chief Judge