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TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

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FROM: Leo Mamorsky, Managing Director and Chief Marketing Officer

DIVISIONS: Product Development and Creative Services

DATE: December 4, 2018

SUBJECT: Report for the December 2018 Commission Meeting

Following is a status update of ongoing and special projects in Product Development.

1. Product Development

a) Instant Ticket Products and Promotions

i. Key accomplishments last period:

- 1. November Instant Ticket Launch (11/26/18):
 - a. \$2 Find The 9s
 - b. \$10 \$100.000 Crossword
 - c. \$20 Max A Million
- 2. Game Closing Activity:

Game	Price	Game Name	Total Sales	Prize Expense	Gross Margin	Final Claim Date
270	\$20	\$1,000 Platinum Play	\$33,265,880	\$25,849,968	\$7,415,912	10/15/2018
328	\$2	Ravens	\$5,513,332	\$3,537,086	\$1,976,246	10/15/2018
329	\$5	Ravens	\$14,996,920	\$10,775,681	\$4,221,239	10/15/2018
344	\$1	Candy Cane Cash	\$3,020,751	\$1,810,977	\$1,209,774	10/15/2018
346	\$3	Polar Payout	\$3,132,612	\$2,063,139	\$1,069,473	10/15/2018
347	\$5	Holiday Riches	\$14,260,045	\$10,262,286	\$3,997,759	10/15/2018

- 3. Cash and Dash Holiday second-chance contest: The second drawing was held 11/7/18, and 1,329,623 entries were received. The third drawing was held 11/12; 1,779,382 entries were received. The fourth drawing was held 11/18; 2,188,634 entries were received. The fifth drawing was held 11/26, 2,700,035 entries were received.
- 4. Willy Wonka Golden Ticket™ BILLION DOLLAR CHALLENGE™ second-chance contest: The sixth drawing was held 11/19/18; 229,613 entries were received.
- 5. *Ravens* second-chance contest: The fourth drawing was held on 11/12/18; 723,406 entries were received.

ii. **Upcoming tasks for this period**:

- 1. December Instant Ticket Launch (12/26/18):
 - a. \$1 Quick \$25s
 - b. \$5 Gold Bar Bingo
 - c. \$5 \$50,000 Diamonds

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d. \$10 - Power 8s

- 2. *Ravens* second-chance contest: The fifth drawing was to be held 12/10, as of 12/2, 383,541 entries were submitted.
- 3. *Cash and Dash Holiday* second-chance contest: The sixth drawing was to be held 12/6/18, as of 12/2, 3,381,346 entries were submitted.

b) Draw and Monitor Game Products and Promotions

i. Kev accomplishments:

- 1. *Keno Sprinkler Promotion*: The Keno Sprinkler promotion began 11/26 and runs through 12/31/18. During the promotional period, Doubler and Tripler messages will appear randomly on the top of Keno tickets prizes won on those tickets will be multiplied.
- 2. *Pick 3 Pick4 Let It Snow Promotion*: The Let It Snow Promotion, which serves as a "Thank You" promotion to core daily number game players began on 11/26, and will run through 12/31/18. During the promotional period, Instant Win Vouchers will appear randomly with Pick 3 and Pick 4 purchases, in \$2 or \$5 denominations.

2. Creative Services

a) Traditional Advertising

i. Kev accomplishments:

- 1. *Holiday 2018*: Completed production of all creative materials for the gift giving portion of the Lottery's holiday campaign. TV, radio, out-of-home, digital and social media began on Thanksgiving Day and will continue through 12/24.
- 2. *Cash Payout Family of Games*: Finalized point-of-sale materials supporting the launch of the *Cash Payout FOG*. Creative and media plan recommendations presented the week of 12/3. Comments and revisions are being addressed.
- 3. *Orioles and MASN 2019 Sponsorships*: Evaluating proposals for the 2019 baseball season from the Orioles and MASN.

ii. **Upcoming tasks**:

- 1. *FY'19 Planning*: Continue to fine tune remaining FY'19 initiatives and solidify budgets for each effort.
- 2. *Home Run Riches*: Develop advertising plan for the 2019 *Home Run Riches* scratch-off.
- 3. *Orioles and MASN 2019 Sponsorships*: Work with media agency to complete negotiations and finalize 2019 sponsorships.

b) My Lottery Rewards

i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. My Lottery Rewards NextGen program launched on Tuesday, November 13.
- 2. More than 50,000 unique players have engaged with the new *My Lottery Rewards* program. 75% of these unique players have earned rewards.
- 3. *Maryland 7s* was the scratch-off game most entered by *MLR* members in November. *Holiday Cash* was a close second.

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4. Implemented and/or maintained three second chance promotions and seven points-for-drawings promotions during the month of November.

ii. **Upcoming tasks:**

- 1. Work with SGI to develop NextGen MLR prize budget allocations for the first quarter of 2019.
- 2. Evaluate player activity data and develop recommendations for upcoming achievements and rewards.
- 3. Monitor NextGen player comments and feedback with team and develop responses as needed.

c) Web, Digital and Social

i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. Promoted *Holiday* scratch-offs and the Warehouse Dash second chance contest, *Maryland 7s* scratch-offs, *Ravens Multiplier* scratch-offs, the *Keno Kicker* promotion and various winners' stories via social media and web assets.
- 2. Responded to player questions and concerns regarding the new *My Lottery Rewards* program. Escalated issues to SGI for investigation.
- 3. Promoted the *Ravens Multiplier* second-chance trips in Atlanta and Kansas City by utilizing photos, videos and live videos on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

ii. Upcoming tasks:

- 1. Move toward launching the new <u>mdlottery.com</u> and <u>mdgaming.com</u> websites.
- 2. Create digital plan for the *Cash Payout FOG*.
- 3. Promote responsible play during the holiday season on social media and our website.

d) Research

- 1. Implemented short survey about winners and players' perceptions about the number of winners that are generated on an annual basis. Data to be utilized for upcoming communications efforts.
- 2. Ipsos began field work for the next wave of the Attitude and Usage Tracking survey. Expect to be completed before the Christmas holiday.