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# TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission Gordon Medenica, Director

FROM: Leo Mamorsky, Managing Director, Chief Marketing Officer

DIVISIONS: Product Development and Creative Services

DATE: June 17, 2019

#### SUBJECT: Report for the June 2019 Commission Meeting

Following is the status update of ongoing and special projects in Product Development and Creative Services.

#### 1. Product Development

#### a) Instant Ticket Products and Promotions

- i. <u>Key accomplishments last period:</u>
  - 1. May Instant Ticket Launch, Gold Rush Multiplier Family of Games (5/20/19):
    - a. \$1 *Gold Rush X5*
    - b. \$2 *Gold Rush X10*
    - c. \$5 Gold Rush X20
    - d. \$10 *Gold Rush X50*
    - e. \$20 Gold Rush X100
  - 2. *Home Run Riches* Contestant of the Game: The drawing to select the third batch of Contestants of the Game was held 5/28/19; 150,097 entries were received.
  - 3. *I Love Lucy*<sup>™</sup> second-chance contest: The second drawing was held 5/21/19; 68,740 entries were received.
  - 4. *The Price is Right*® second-chance contest: The first drawing was held 5/21/19, to award seven prizes of \$5,000; 128,070 entries were received.

# ii. <u>Upcoming tasks for this period</u>:

- 1. June Instant Ticket Launch (6/24/19):
  - a. \$3 *Skee-Ball*®
  - b. \$5 Super Bonus Bucks
  - c. \$10 Big Money Maker
  - d. \$10 *Bingo X10*
- 2. *Home Run Riches* Contestant of the Game: The fourth Contestants of the Game drawing will be held 6/25/19. As of 6/16, 72,318 entries have been received.
- 3. *I Love Lucy*<sup>™</sup> second-chance contest: The third drawing was to be held 6/18/19. As of 6/16, 51,554 entries were received.
- 4. *The Price is Right*® second-chance contest: The second drawing was to be held 6/18/19, and will award three prizes of \$5,000, two prizes of \$25,000 and one prize of \$50,000. As of 6/16, 100,531 entries were received.

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#### b) Draw and Monitor Game Products and Promotions

#### i. <u>Key accomplishments</u>:

1. *Racetrax \$6 for \$5* Promotion: The 6-week Racetrax \$6 for \$5 promotion ended on 6.9.19. During the promotion, Racetrax enjoyed record-breaking sales, with the final week reporting the best sales results (week ending 6/9/19: \$4,947,997, which is a 15.5% increase over the same week in FY18).

#### 2. Creative Services

#### a) Traditional Advertising

#### i. <u>Key accomplishments</u>:

- 1. *Make Summer Instantly Better* Campaign: Developed summer-themed initiative that highlights three different scratch-offs (*Gold Rush Multiplier* family of games, *Skee-Ball*, and *Hot 5's*). Media began airing on June 17 and will continue until late August.
- 2. *Ravens:* Selected campaign direction, as well as several creative materials, for the *Ravens* 2019 scratch-off campaign. Now moving into the production phase for all creative materials, including TV.
- 3. *Cash4Life*: Finalized materials to support the move to nightly drawings for *Cash4Life*, beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 4. University Sponsorships: Reviewed 2019-2020 sponsorship proposals for *Towson University* and *Morgan State University*.
- 5. *The Washington Redskins*: Met with the *Washington Redskins* to discuss sponsorship opportunities for the 2019 season. Received the *Redskins* proposal on June 14 and will finalize the proposal in the coming weeks.

# ii. <u>Upcoming tasks</u>:

- 1. *Make Summer Instantly Better* Campaign: Continue to develop creative materials for this summer-themed campaign.
- 2. *Ravens*: Move forward with all aspects of the *Ravens* campaign, including: (a) Television commercials and elements to run in-stadium.
  - (b) Radio campaign and all out-of-home and digital elements.
  - (c) *Pass for Cash* on-field sponsorship.
- 3. *Powerball New Year's Eve* Promotion: Finalize point-of-sale for the *Powerball New Year's Eve* promotion.
- 4. *Sponsorships:* Finalize sponsorship agreements and begin working on the creative deliverables for the *Washington Redskins, University of Maryland, Morgan State University*, and *Towson University* sponsorships.

# b) My Lottery Rewards

# i. <u>Key accomplishments:</u>

- 1. The *Price is Right* scratch-off had the most ticket entries and the most unique enterers during May 2019.
- 2. More than 22 million points were awarded to MLR members in May.
- 3. The \$50 achievement had the most engagement with 32,805 unique enterers.
- 4. Implemented and/or maintained three second chance promotions and eight points-for-drawings promotions during the month of May.

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# ii. Upcoming tasks:

- 1. Monitor SGI coupon testing.
- 2. Continue to develop CRM program, including *Welcome* and monthly *Dashboard* emails to members.

# c) Web, Digital and Social

# i. <u>Key accomplishments:</u>

- 1. Promoted the dual high multi-state jackpots, *Gold Rush Multiplier* family of games, *The Price is Right* scratch-off and second-chance promotion, *Home Run Riches* scratch-off and various winners' stories via social media and web assets.
- 2. Posted to social media live while at the *Warehouse Dash* event in Chicago, including: Facebook live video, Instagram live video, Instagram story polls, photos, videos and GIFs.

# ii. <u>Upcoming tasks:</u>

- 1. Execute social and digital plans for the *Skee-ball* scratch-off and second chance contest.
- 2. Create social and digital plans for the *Ravens* scratch-off and second chance contest and the *Hot 5s* scratch-off.
- 3. Continue to implement emerging social media content tactics (e.g. 360-degree images) to increase engagement.

# d) Research

- 1. Continue working with SGI on a Keno research questionnaire that includes exploring new game add-on options.
- 2. Implement SGI's short-form segmentation study questions into the Lottery's Ipsos Attitude & Usage Tracking study and finalize data analysis process.
- 3. Develop project schedule for Retailer Satisfaction Survey and finalize questionnaire.