# **Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency**

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TO:	Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission Gordon Medenica, Director
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DIVISION:	Sales
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### SUBJECT: Report for the February 2020 Commission Meeting

Following is a status update of ongoing and special projects in the Sales Division.

### 1) <u>Sales</u>

		Draw/Monitor	Instant	Combined
STATE	2020	\$112,481,771	\$73,952,167	\$186,433,938
	2019	\$104,679,996	\$68,454,279	\$173,134,275
	Difference	\$7,801,775	\$5,497,888	\$13,299,663
	%YoY +/-	7.4%	8.0%	7.7%
INDEPENDENT	2020	\$91,158,501	\$47,634,825	\$138,793,326
	2019	\$87,702,378	\$45,188,513	\$132,890,891
	Difference	\$3,456,123	\$2,446,312	\$5,902,435
	%YoY +/-	3.9%	5.4%	4.4%
	% of State Sales	81.0%	64.4%	74.4%
CORPORATE	2020	\$21,323,270	\$26,317,342	\$47,640,612
	2019	\$16,977,618	\$23,265,766	\$40,243,384
	Difference	\$4,345,652	\$3,051,576	\$7,397,228
	%YoY +/-	25.6%	13.1%	18.4%
	% of State Sales	19.0%	35.6%	25.6%

### January 2020, Year over Year Comparison Product Category by Store Segment

\* - Instant ticket sales are based on recorded weekly settlements and may not agree with other Instant ticket sales displayed in other reports that may reflect activations or validations.

- Sales Management
  - The "Blitz Week" campaign began January 20 by launching the Multiplier Family of Games (FOG), which included four (4) price points (\$1, \$2, \$5 & \$10).
    - Top performers for activating all games during Blitz Week:
      - Wade Harris 92.4
      - Chuck Hamrick 88.2
      - DeUnka Wade 87.8
  - The monthly sales meeting conducted on January 15 focused our "20/20 Share the Vision" on our FY20 Sales Forecast mid-year review.
  - Two district manager (DM) positions are currently open with one individual out on extended leave and the other position open for recruitment.
- Field Support/Self-Service Vending Units
  - Sales disseminated information and trained retailers on the new Fast Play lottery game that will launch in February.
    - Sales is responding to the Lottery's hard recall notice of game #365 \$2,000,000 Mega Bucks.
  - Sales Support continues to work with Scientific Games to coordinate scheduling of PHD self-service vending installations.
    - We are currently scheduling the replacement of 43 PHDLs (smaller machines) in the marketplace with PHD units.
      - All units being replaced to be completed by the end of February.
      - The PHDL units will be refurbished and prepared for re-deployment mid-year.
    - Sales Support has received retailer location recommendations for PHD units from the regional managers.
      - We are analyzing these locations for the next allocation of PHDs for deployment due to arrive in late spring.
      - In addition, any locations not chosen to receive a unit in this next deployment will remain on a future allocation list.
    - We review the performance of self-service machines (both PEX and PHD) currently in the field to identify opportunities for improving sales by redirecting any underperforming units.
- Events
  - Sales supported the Communications department at the Ravens playoff game.

## 2) <u>Corporate Sales</u>

- Field Activity
  - Business reviews were completed with the chain accounts listed below:
    - Royal Farms
    - Burchmart
    - Fastop
  - Business reviews will also be held for the following chain accounts by the end of February:

- Weis Supermarkets
- Rite Aid
- Rutter's Farm Stores
- The Corporate Sales team will continue with preparation for the next wave of vending machine installations for chain accounts such as AC&T and 7-Eleven.
- We may also provide an additional (second) vending unit to high volume locations.
- The Corporate Sales team continues to work with the Walmart launch team to finalize the installation process and move towards launching in Q2 20.

## 3) Retail Recruitment

- Recruitment Results
  - Twenty-one (21) new applications were received and advanced to Phase II of the approval process in January.
  - Six (6) new independent locations were installed in January.
- Prospecting Activities
  - We are renewing our efforts with the Corporate Accounts team to identify small, regional chain accounts. We'll update those efforts in next month's report.

## 4) Sales Force Automation

With increased importance on the use of technology to increase sales and generate additional revenue, here is an update on the application of technology to accomplish these goals.

- gemIntelligence: District Managers continue to update units on a regular basis; received training on the new Fast Play screens and relevant forms, as required.
- gemOffice: A new software release was downloaded into production which enhances the ability to better manage applications.
- gemRetailer: Based on retailer feedback, we will be drafting a request to add "self-service" vending reports to the menu options.
- Training: We conducted regional training sessions in our model store to allow District Managers to interact with all retail equipment selling Fast Play. A very productive training with all groups. Many questions were asked which helped clarify how the retailer would sell the game and how the customer would see the game.

## 5) Analysis & Reporting

January showed an increase of over \$13 million when compared with the previous year.

Sales of the daily numbers category lagged while instant scratch-off tickets had a healthy 8% gain. Monitor games had small increases but the multi-jurisdictional rollover jackpot games led the pack. Powerball peaked when the jackpot approached \$400 million on the final January drawing.

Next month we welcome the Fast Play category of games.