# OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

#### MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

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DATE: August 18, 2020

SUBJECT: Report for the Commission Meeting

This is a status update of ongoing and special projects in the Office of the Attorney General.

#### I. Contracts, Human Resources, and Administrative

### a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed several contracts for the Marketing and Corporate Sales Divisions, and a contract for IT-related services.
- ii. Assisted the Human Resources Division in addressing several employment issues.
- iii. Assisted Staff in ongoing procurement issues.
- iv. Assisted Staff with responding to Public Information Act requests: (1) from a media outlet, for complaints related to the State's casinos' coronavirus-related actions and procedures; (2) from a media outlet, for the State's casinos' combined request for regulatory changes in 2019 and 2020; and (3) from a mobile app developer, for QR code algorithms for Mega Millions and Powerball.
- v. Reviewed new laws passed during the abbreviated 2020 session of the General Assembly for impact on the Agency.
- vi. Assisted Staff with issues related to operational impacts on the Agency caused by the pandemic, and related closures and reopenings.
- vii. Assisted Staff with providing documents for a statutorily-required bond sale supporting Baltimore City School construction.

# b. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff with matters related to contracts and human resources.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff with issues related to operational impacts on the Agency caused by the pandemic and related closures and reopenings.
- iii. Assist Staff with changes to the Voluntary Exclusion Program application and processes.

#### c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

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### II. Lottery

# a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed several requests from Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games.
- ii. Reviewed new XCAP Agreements.
- iii. Reviewed several promotions from Product Development.
- iv. Reviewed several contracts for Lottery sponsorship and advertising campaigns.
- v. Reviewed issues regarding use of Mega Millions marks.

# b. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Assist Staff as needed with Lottery-related issues that may arise as the State reopens.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff as needed on working with the Mega Millions Consortium on issues related to exploring use of the Mega Million trademark in international sales.
- iii. Work with Staff as needed concerning new promotions, tickets, games, and licenses.
- iv. Continue to assist Staff on a contract for research services related to responsible gambling.

#### c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

# III. Casino Gaming

### a. Kev accomplishments last period:

- Continued to assist Staff with casino relate issues associated with reopening the State's casinos, and continued to assist Staff with enforcement and licensing issues associated with casino operations.
- ii. Represented the Agency at the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) in three video lottery employee license revocation hearings.

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

- i. Assist Staff with casino-related issues associated with reopening the State's casinos, and continue to assist Staff with enforcement and licensing issues.
- ii. Assist Staff with preparing for five video lottery employee license revocation hearings that were referred to OAH.

### c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

### **IV.** Electronic Gaming Devices

### a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. N/A

# b. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

i. Work with Staff as needed concerning the Commission's regulation of electronic gaming devices.

#### c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

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# V. Skills-Based Amusement Devices and Amusement Gaming Licenses

- a. Key accomplishments last period:
  - i. N/A.
- b. <u>Upcoming tasks for this period:</u>
  - i. Work with Staff as needed concerning the Commission's regulation of skills-based amusement devices and amusement gaming licenses.

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- c. Issues:
  - i. N/A

# **VI. Fantasy Competition**

- a. Key accomplishments last period:
  - i. N/A
- b. <u>Upcoming tasks for this period</u>:
  - i. N/A
- c. <u>Issues:</u>
  - i. N/A

### **VII. Sports Wagering**

- a. Key accomplishments last period:
  - i. Assisted Staff with reviewing Senate Bill 4, and meeting its requirements for analyzing the types of work associated with a sports wagering program.
  - ii. Assisted Staff in preliminarily identifying features of regulations that may be required to implement the State's future sports wagering program.

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

i. Continue to assist Staff with preliminary drafts of sports wagering regulations.