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DIVISIONS:	Product Development and Creative Services
DATE:	September 14, 2020
SUBJECT:	Report for the September 2020 Commission Meeting

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

#### 1. Product Development

#### a) Scratch-Off Products and Promotions

- i. Key accomplishments last period:
  - 1. September Scratch-Off Launch (9/21/20):
    - a. \$1 *Quick Hit™* 777
    - b. \$5 *Ca\$h Payout*
    - c. \$5 \$50,000 Bingo Doubler
    - d. \$10 \$10,000 Extreme Green
    - e. \$30 \$100,000 Extreme Cash
  - 2. *Raven's Second-Chance Contest*: The first drawing was held 8/25/20; 892,436 entries were received.

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

- 1. October Scratch-Off Launch (10/19/20):
  - a. \$1 Holiday Luck
  - b. \$2 Holiday Luck X2
  - c. \$3 Peppermint Payout X3
  - d. \$5 Holiday Luck X5
  - e. \$10 Holiday Luck X10
- 2. *Raven's Second-Chance Contest*: The second drawing was to be held 9/23/20; as of 9/13/20, 476,135 entries were received.
- 3. *James Bond 007™ Second-Chance Contest:* The fourth drawing is to be held 10/13/20; as of 9/13/20, 114,581 entries were received.

## b) Draw and Monitor Game Products and Promotions

- i. Key accomplishments:
  - 1. *Cash4Life: Best Day Ever:* (8/3/20 8/30/20) For 4 weeks players entered C4L games into My Lottery Rewards during the promotional period and received entries into the drawing. The drawing was held on 8/31/20; 615,375 entries received.
  - 2. *Keno Sprinkler:* From 8/17/20 9/13/20 (4 weeks) players had the chance to Double or Triple their prizes when playing Keno. Doublers and Triplers

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were produced based on an Nth basis for Keno, Keno Bonus, Keno Super Bonus & Packaged Keno to Go tickets. If the player's numbers were winners, their winnings were doubled or tripled.

3. *Racetrax \$6 for \$5:* From 8/31/20 – 10/11/20 (6 weeks) any player making a \$6 Racetrax purchase will receive a \$1 discount.

#### ii. Upcoming tasks:

1. *Multi-Match: Bonus Buy Promotion:* From 9/14/20 – 10/11/20 (4 weeks) players will receive a free \$2 quick pick Multi-Match ticket when they buy \$10 or more of Multi-Match on a single ticket.

#### c) Fast Play Products and Promotions

#### i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. September Fast Play Launch (9/14/20)
  - a. \$1 THREE TO WIN
  - b. \$2 Match For Cash
  - c. \$3 Moneycomb
  - d. \$5 All or None For The Win
- 2. *FAST PLAY "Contestant of the Game" Second-Chance Contest*: The third and final drawing was held 9/1/20; 8,029,898 entries were received.

#### ii. Upcoming tasks:

- 1. November Fast Play Launch (11/2/20)
  - a. \$1 Snow Me the Money
  - b. \$5 Jack Frost Jackpot
  - c. \$10 Cold Hard Cash (progressive)

#### 2. Creative Services

#### a) Traditional Advertising

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

- 1. \$ Scratch-Off: Completed production of all \$ creative materials. Media began running on 8/31 and continues through 9/27.
- 2. Ravens Scratch-Offs: Completed production of all Ravens scratch-off creative materials, including television and radio spots, out-of-home, digital, and all team sponsorship assets. The media plan began on 8/31 and continues through 10/4.
- 3. Extreme Scratch-Offs: Finalized the media plan that will support the \$10,000 Extreme Green and \$100,000 Extreme Cash scratch-offs. This media will run from 10/5 10/25 and 11/9 11/22, and includes television, cable, OTT, radio, digital out-of-home and social. The Extreme creative campaign is currently in production.
- 4. Holiday: Began planning for the Holiday scratch-off marketing campaign. 9Rooftops is developing a media plan that will begin on Thanksgiving and run through Christmas Eve. GKV has completed all Holiday point-of-sale and is developing Holiday television campaigns for our review.
- 5. FAST PLAY: Prepared internal assets to support the launch of four new FAST PLAY games on September 14th.

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6. Sports Sponsorships: Finalized contracts with the Baltimore Ravens and the Washington Football Team. Completed production of all sponsorship materials in advance of the start of the NFL season.

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

- 1. Ravens Scratch-Offs: Continue to update Ravens scratch-off materials on an as needed basis throughout the football season.
- 2. Extreme Scratch-Offs: Complete production of all Extreme creative materials, including the television and radio spots, digital bulletins, social posts, and all internal assets.
- 3. Holiday: Review the Holiday media plan recommendation and creative options for the Holiday marketing campaign.
- 4. FY'21 Planning: Identify advertising priorities for the January June time period.

## b) My Lottery Rewards

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

- 1. 40,556 players engaged with My Lottery Rewards during August 2020; up 4% vs. July 2020.
- 2. The Win \$50 or \$100 scratch-off was the most entered ticket in August.
- 3. The \$5 Ravens scratch-off had the most unique enterers in August.
- 4. New registrations increased by 42% in August 2020 vs the prior month.
- 5. Implemented and/or maintained four second chance promotions and nine points-for-drawings promotions in August.

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

- 1. Work with SGI and advertising agencies to develop plans to increase MLR membership.
- 2. Maintain player communication for Prize Point conversion to Draw Points.

## c) Web, Digital and Social

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

- 1. Promoted \$ scratch-offs, Ravens scratch-offs and second-chance promotion, FAST PLAY Contestant of the Game promotion, Keno Sprinkler promotion and Cash4Life Best Day ever promotion through our social media and website assets.
- 2. Established weekly emails that focus on winners, delivered to our email database. Click-through rates for these emails are more than double our typical rates.

## ii. <u>Upcoming Tasks</u>

- 1. Execute social and digital plans for the new Extreme scratch-offs.
- 2. Create social and digital plans for the Holiday scratch-offs and second-chance contest.

## d) Research

- 1. Completed 2020 Game Play Analysis Study for Executive Management.
- 2. Implemented two short surveys to Snapshots mailing list to investigate players' thoughts on current/topical issues.