OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

John Martin, Director, MLGCA

Holly K. Citko, Assistant Attorney General Principal Counsel FROM:

Principal Counsel

DATE: April 19, 2022

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:

- Assisted Staff with human resources, procurement and contractual issues.
- ii. OAH Default Decision was finalized in favor of the Agency on a personnel matter; the time to seek judicial review of the decision expired April 4, 2022.
- iii. Assisted Staff with the Agency's response to three Public Information Act requests.
- iv. Assisted Staff with reviewing public comments on proposed amendments to voluntary exclusion and fantasy competition regulations, and drafting suggested changes on the proposed amendments for the Commission's consideration at its April 28 meeting.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- Continue to assist Staff as described above, as needed. i.
- Assist Staff with revising and updating the Code of Conduct. ii.

c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed promotions and requests from Product Development relating to new scratch-off and Fast Play games.
- ii. Assisted Staff with requests from Creative Development relating to new advertising campaigns and website updates.
- Assisted Staff with sponsorship agreements for Communications. iii.
- Assisted Staff with notifying retailers of potential license iv. revocations, reviewing liens and handling issues related to retailers' outstanding Central Collections Unit debts.
- Assisted Staff with reviewing new XCAP agreements and renewal v. applications.

Upcoming tasks for this period:

Continue to assist Staff with issues described above, and with reviewing new revenue-generating opportunities.

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c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

III. Casino Gaming

a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. N/A

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

- i. Continue to assist Staff with updating license applications for use in both gaming and sports wagering, and assist Staff with enforcement, licensing, and voluntary exclusion issues, as needed.
- ii. Assist Staff with reviewing two video lottery employee licensees' requests for hearings on Staff's recommended license revocations.
- iii. Assist Staff in its annual review of industry-proposed amendments to the Commission's casino regulations, and in drafting any amendments.

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. N/A
- c. <u>Issues</u>:
 - i. N/A

V. Skills-Based Amusement Devices and Amusement Gaming Licenses

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

VI. Fantasy Competitions

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Assisted Staff with drafting notices to fantasy competition operators to ensure compliance with Maryland laws and regulations.
- ii. Assisted Staff with implementing requirements for fantasy competition operators to submit required taxes and forms to the Agency.
- iii. Assisted Staff with reviewing public comments on amendments to fantasy competition regulations, and drafting proposed changes for the Commission's consideration at its April 28 meeting.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

i. Continue to assist Staff as described above.

c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

Sports Wagering

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a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. Continued to assist Staff in drafting regulations and website content, and responding to licensing-related questions from the public.

ii. Assist Staff in its annual review of industry-proposed amendments to casino regulations, which now also includes industry-proposed amendments to sports wagering regulations; assist Staff in drafting any amendments.

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

i. Continue to assist Staff as needed.

c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A.