

# Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency

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SUBJECT: Report for the August 2022 Commission Meeting

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Following is the status update of ongoing topics in Government Relations, Human Resources, and Procurement for August.

## **I. GOVERNMENT RELATIONS MATTERS**

### ***1. Sports Wagering Application Review Commission (SWARC)***

The Sports Wagering Application Review Commission (SWARC) held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 17, to vote on awarding sports wagering facility licenses to two recently qualified applicants: Chesapeake Gaming, LLC and Maryland Stadium Sub, LLC., as well as to vote on the two proposed SWARC applications. Also, there was discussion on the two action items that must happen before SWARC can release these applications, and they are: AELR taking a vote to approve adoption of the proposed regulations on an emergency basis; and SWARC receiving the sports wagering industry analysis with the Office of the Attorney General's legal review of the analysis. The non-emergency proposed SWARC regulations should appear in the August 26 edition of the *Maryland Register*, with a public comment period running from August 26 to September 26. , An in-person public meeting is scheduled for September 9 at 11:00 a.m., to receive comments.

### ***2. Regulations Update***

Below is an update of proposed regulations that were approved by the Commission:

#### ***Annual Gaming Regulatory Review***

In February, Agency staff invited our casino partners to submit proposed changes to our existing casino regulations to ensure that the regulations are not outpaced by changes in technology. On May 26, the Agency submitted to the Commission six proposed amendments to existing regulations for its review and approval. Four of these changes were prepared at the request of Maryland's casino industry and two were Staff changes. On May 26, the Commission approved the Agency's proposed amendments to these six existing regulations. See <https://www.mdgaming.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Agenda-Item-Amended-Casino-Regulations.pdf> for more details. These proposed amendments appeared in the July 29 edition of the *Maryland Register*, with a public comment running until August 29. See <http://www.dsd.state.md.us/MDR/4916/Assembled.htm>

## **II. HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS**

The Human Resources (HR) Department continues to prepare the necessary job descriptions (MS-22s) for sports wagering positions and recruit for these sports wagering jobs in the State's Workday system

HR continues to work with the Department of Budget and Management on recruiting and posting vacancy announcements for various existing positions within the Agency. In addition, HR is preparing necessary training for Agency staff such as ethics, sexual harassment, and active shooter training for staff compliance.

### **III. PROCUREMENT MATTERS**

The Procurement Department works closely with all Divisions to support the MLGCA's daily operations to include, but not limited to, procurement of printing of POS materials and various information sheets/brochures to support all games; promotional items, sponsorship agreements for events; and supplies/equipment for the Lottery's internal use, as well as the processing of all payments under \$5,000.00 using the State P-Card and monthly reconciliation of bank statement.

Procurement staff are working with other departments to implement tools available to modernize the procurement processes with a goal of reducing paper handling and allowing users more visibility into the status of requests. We hope to also integrate an inventory system for consumables and fixed assets.

*RFP for Random Number Generator (RNG) System for MLGCA (#2022-15):* This RFP is for the acquisition of four (4) identical independent Random Number Generator Systems (2 live production Systems, a test System, and a disaster recovery back-up System) to be used to conduct MLGCA Lottery Drawings. This RFP was issued May 18, a pre-proposal conference was held May 26 with three known potential offerors attending; and, the due date for receipt of Proposals was extended to June 28. By the due date, Proposals were received from multiple Offerors and are now undergoing evaluation. Discussions with Offerors and demonstration of their RNG Systems are scheduled for the period of 8/16 – 8/23.

*RFP for Auditing and Accounting Services for MLGCA (#2022-10):* This RFP is to obtain a Certified Public Accounting firm to provide auditing, accounting, and management services to include technical advice and assistance on various aspects of both Lottery and Gaming operations. Due to various factors including changes to the requirements of this RFP to accommodate Sports Wagering implementation and a new Random Number Generator process for Lottery Drawings, the RFP was delayed but has now completed internal review and has been submitted to DGS-Office of State Procurement for its review. DGS-OSP Initial Review was received on 8/3/2022. Issuance of the RFP, subject to revisions suggested by DGS and subsequent DGS approval, is now anticipated in August/September.

**MBE/VSBE/SBR Activities:** A summary of the MLGCA's MBE/VSBE participation will be forthcoming.