

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
MARYLAND LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission
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DIVISION: Office of the Attorney General

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SUBJECT: Report for the February Commission Meeting

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

I. Contracts and Human Resources

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed six contracts for the Communications Division for promotion of public affairs events.
- ii. Reviewed one Corporate Guaranty document and one Financial Responsibility Agreement for 7-11 Lottery retailers.
- iii. Reviewed various employment issues and documents for the Human Resources Division, and six Family and Medical Leave Act leave requests.
- iv. Received written findings from the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights finding no probable cause with respect to a former employee's third set of allegations of racial discrimination and retaliation.
- v. Worked with Staff on the draw games RFP.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- i. Review court filings to ensure compliance with applicable statute and regulations for judicial approval of the assignment of a lottery prize.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff with the draw games RFP.

c. Issues:

- i. N/A

II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed eight requests from Creative Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games and several related promotions.
- ii. Continued to assist Creative Services Division in developing and implementing the *My Lottery Rewards Program* by reviewing rules for new promotions using MLR and by proposing revisions to the overall official rules to address prizing from entities other than MDI. Met with Creative Services and others to discuss streamlining rules.

- iii. Worked with Lottery and MUSL Staff on a proposed multi-state Keno jackpot prize, and on issues associated with suspension of sales of the Monopoly Millionaires' Club multi-state game ticket.
- iv. Reviewed and submitted comments on proposed changes in Powerball game rules.
- v. Worked with Staff on issues related to the National Premium Game.
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Continue to assist Staff on issues related to the National Premium Game.
- c. Issues:**
 - i. N/A

III. Gaming

- a. Key accomplishments last period:**
 - i. Continued to assist Staff on enforcement and licensing issues associated with casino operations.
 - ii. Continued to assist Staff in monitoring the impact of Caesars' financial status on Horseshoe Casino Baltimore.
 - iii. Assisted Staff in drafting a new table game procedure regulation, which will be presented by the Assistant Director for Gaming.
 - iv. Assisted Staff in responding to Public Information Act requests for the operators' complimentary services reports and for an individual's gaming license investigation report.
 - v. Provided assistance to staff on the sale of state-owned VLTs in anticipation of the March 31, 2015 change in ownership requirements.
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Continue to assist Staff in monitoring the impact of Caesars' financial status on Horseshoe Casino Baltimore.
 - ii. Work with Staff as necessary on issues associated with MGM's license award.
 - iii. Provide assistance as necessary to Staff regarding licensing, enforcement, public information, and VEP issues.
 - iv. Provide assistance as necessary to Staff on gaming-related legislation that was enacted by the General Assembly.
 - v. Continue to provide assistance to staff on the sale of state-owned VLTs.
- c. Issues:**
 - N/A

IV. New Initiatives - Electronic Gaming Devices

- a. Key accomplishments last period:**
 - i. Continue to assist Agency staff with planning the regulation of electronic gaming devices.
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Continue to analyze the impact of legislation passed during the Second Special Session, and assist Staff in meeting additional resulting responsibilities.
- c. Issues:**
 - i. N/A