

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

DATE: September 11, 2013

SUBJECT: Report for the September 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 four contracts for the Communications Division for promotion of public affairs events.
- ii. Reviewed two Corporate Guaranty documents and two Financial Responsibility Agreements submitted for 7-11 Lottery retailers.
- iii. Filed a lien against one retailer on behalf of the Lottery's AFO Division; the total amount of the lien is \$5,068.04.
- iv. Reviewed eight Family and Medical Leave Act leave requests submitted from the Human Resources Division.
- v. Worked with the Human Resources Division regarding the discipline and subsequent termination of a gaming compliance employee. A hearing on the employee's suspension is scheduled before the Office of Administrative Hearings on September 13. The agency is awaiting a hearing date for the termination.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- i. N/A

c. Issues:

- i. N/A

II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed twelve requests from Creative Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games.
- ii. Assisted Creative Services Division in developing and implementing the *My Lottery Rewards Program* by drafting a license agreement to use licensed products.

- iii. Assisted staff in responding to questions about the Request for Proposals for Veterans' Organization Instant Ticket Lottery Machines and Related Services.
- iv. Assisted staff in developing amendments to the Lottery regulations that to authorize the Agency to publish rules for online games on the Agency's website. The regulation amendment will be submitted to the Commission for approval as part of the report of the Assistant Director for Lottery.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- i. Continue to assist the Creative Services Division in developing and implementing the new *My Lottery Rewards* program by drafting program procedures.

c. Issues:

- i. N/A

III. Gaming

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Continued to assist Agency staff on compliance and enforcement issues associated with casino operations at the four casinos.
- ii. Continued to provide Agency staff with advice on the licensing process.
- iii. Assisted Agency staff in drafting amendments to the table game regulations pertaining to dealer controlled electronic table games. The amendments will be submitted to the Commission for approval as part of the report of the Assistant Director for Gaming.
- iv. Assisted the Location Commission and staff in answering questions from applicants and other interested parties about the Request for Proposals for the video lottery facility operation license for Prince George's County.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- i. Provide assistance as necessary to Agency staff, including supporting the Location Commission's evaluation of the three proposals received for the Prince George's County operation license, and supporting the Enforcement Division's investigation of the three applicants.

c. Issues:

- i. 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.
- ii. The lawsuit brought against the State by the Crooked I Sports Bar & Grill in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County remains pending before the Court of Special Appeals, where argument is scheduled for October 10.

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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