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MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission
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SUBJECT: Report for the December 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:

- i. Reviewed two contracts for the Lottery's Communications Division for promotion of public affairs events.
- ii. Reviewed various employment issues and documents for the Human Resources Division.
- iii. Assisted Staff in responding to requests under Maryland's Public Information Act (PIA) for records pertaining to: (1) performance of progressive VLTs at Horseshoe Casino; and (2) replacement of instant bingo machines in Anne Arundel County bingo halls with other gaming machines.
- iv. Worked with Staff on the Agency's 2017 legislative initiatives.

b. Upcoming tasks for this period:

- i. Assist Staff in review of records in §I.a.iii. above.
- ii. Assist Staff in preparing for hearing before the Office of Administrative Hearings pertaining to revocation of a video lottery employee license; the hearing is scheduled for January 9, 2016.

c. Issues:

- i. N/A

II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed four requests from Creative Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games.
- ii. Worked with Staff on issues associated with the recommended award of the central monitoring and control system contract.
- iii. Continue to assist Creative Services Division in developing and implementing the *My Lottery Rewards Program* by reviewing rules, licenses and other related documents for new promotions using MLR.

- iv. Conducted annual review of Lottery trademark continuation requirements.
- v. Renewed trademark registration for Multi Match logo and words.
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Continue to assist Staff with issues associated with the recommended award of the central monitoring and control system RFP.
 - ii. Continue to work with Staff on issues associated with investigations of the three retailers implicated in fraud allegations associated with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, of which two have submitted change of ownership applications and one has been emergently suspended.
- 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.
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Continue to assist Staff in monitoring the impact of Caesars' financial status on Horseshoe.
 - ii. Work with Staff as necessary on issues associated with issuance of MGM's operation license.
 - iii. Provide assistance as necessary to staff regarding licensing and enforcement, including enforcement action against individual licensees.
 - iv. Monitor any developments related to daily fantasy sports.
- c. Issues:**
 - i. N/A

IV. New Initiatives-Electronic Gaming Devices

- a. Key accomplishments last period:**
 - i. N/A
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Provide any necessary advice to Staff concerning issues associated with the Commission's regulation of electronic gaming devices.

V. New Initiatives-Amusement Gaming Licenses

- a. Key accomplishments last period:**
 - i. N/A
- b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**
 - i. Provide any necessary advice to Staff concerning issues associated with the Commission's regulation of amusement gaming license regulations.