OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY

TO:

Maryland Lottery Commission

Gordon Medenica, Director

FROM:

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Principal Counsel

DATE:

June 14, 2016

SUBJECT:

Report for the June 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 one contract for the Lottery's Communications Division for promotion of public affairs events.
- ii. Reviewed one Corporate Guaranty document and one Financial Responsibility Agreement submitted for 7-11 Lottery retailers.
- iii. Filed a lien against one retailer on behalf of the Lottery's AFO Division in the total amount of \$13,134.67.
- iv. Reviewed various employment issues and documents for the Human Resources Division.
- v. Assisted Staff in responding to requests under Maryland's Public Information Act (PIA) for: (1) packets of information distributed at the May 25 meeting of the Maryland Amusement Game Advisory Committee; and (2) records supporting the Managing Director of Regulatory Oversight's compliance report to the Commission on May 26, as well as constituent letters to the Governor and the Agency's responses.
- vi. Assisted Staff in following up on a previous PIA request for records pertaining to Maryland Live Casino!'s internal procedures related to facility exclusions and patron safety, about which the PIA Ombudsman contacted the Agency.

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

i. Review court filings to ensure compliance with applicable statutes and regulations for judicial approval of the assignment of a lottery prize.

c. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

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II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. Reviewed five requests from Creative Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games.

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- ii. Continued to work with Staff on the central monitoring and control system RFP.
- 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.

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

i. Continue to assist Staff with the central monitoring and control system RFP.

c. Issues:

i. N/A

III. Gaming

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Filed required pleadings in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County involving the petition for judicial review of the Commission's revocation of a sponsored gaming license. The petitioner/former licensee is required to file certain pleadings on or about July 10; the merits hearing is September 1.
- ii. Continued to assist Staff on enforcement and licensing issues associated with casino operations.
- iii. 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 MGM's license award.
- 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. <u>Issues:</u>

i. N/A

IV. New Initiatives-Electronic Gaming Devices

a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. Continued to assist Staff in preparing amendments to regulations. These regulations will be presented by the Managing Director of Gaming.

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

i. Provide any necessary advice to Staff concerning issues associated with the Commission's regulation of electronic gaming devices.

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V. New Initiatives-Amusement Gaming Licenses

a. Key accomplishments last period:

i. Continued to assist Staff in preparing amusement gaming license regulations to implement SB 941, which was passed during the 2016 session of the General Assembly.

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 and skills-based amusement devices.
- ii. Assist Staff in implementing amusement gaming license regulations.