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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 November 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 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; (2) replacement of instant bingo machines in Anne Arundel County bingo halls with other gaming machines; and (3) records of gaming license applicants.
- iv. Worked with Staff to draft 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.

c. Issues:

- i. N/A

II. Lottery

a. Key accomplishments last period:

- i. Reviewed two 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. Worked with Staff on issues associated with three retailers implicated in fraud allegations associated with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance

Program. Two retailers have submitted change of ownership applications, and one has been emergently suspended.

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 assist Staff with issues discussed in §II.a.iv. above.

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. Worked with Staff developing regulation amendments, and a new regulation, pertaining to authorizing casinos to establish offsite customer service locations. The Managing Director of Gaming will present the regulations.

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. 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.