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## TO: SLOT MACHINE TESTING LABORATORIES

## SUBJECT: OUTSOURCING OF CERTAIN CASHLESS WAGERING SYSTEM TESTING

In the interest of reducing the time necessary to verify gaming device compatibility with the many "ticket in/ ticket out" systems being installed in the state, the Nevada Gaming Control Board is considering accepting approvals from qualified testing laboratories outside the Board in the area of slot machine to system interfacing for cashless wagering systems. This letter serves as notice of the Board's intention to solicit "request for qualifications" from all outside testing laboratories wishing to participate in this process. As such, all interested testing laboratories must provide the Board, at their earliest convenience, the following information:

- Information demonstrating the probity of the applicant's company in general, the management and all staff that will be participating in the testing of systems for use in Nevada. This information should include, but not be limited to, accreditations and certifications from other recognized gaming jurisdictions, pertinent licenses or credentials from government agencies, findings against the company from a gaming jurisdiction or other governmental agency, and results of specific probity background investigations of the management staff.
- 2. A list of the personnel expected to be involved in the testing process and their credentials such as university degrees and professional accreditations.
- 3. A description of the minimum educational and professional standard established by the laboratory for all persons involved in the testing process.
- 4. Accreditations from standards organizations such as ISO.

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- 5. Information demonstrating complete independence from any company involved in manufacturing gaming equipment or involved in any gaming activity.
- 6. Samples of the test scripts, procedures and methods used to test slot machine systems that have been approved by a governmental regulatory agency.
- 7. A description of the testing facility, which must be located in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Board will review this information to determine which testing laboratories will be considered qualified to perform the testing required by the Board. Qualified testing laboratories will be notified as to their status upon the completion of the review process. The Board will work with qualified testing laboratories to develop a test plan and specific test procedures that ensure approvals granted by these laboratories provide a similar and complete assessment of the slot machine system and gaming device interface capabilities.

A copy of the required qualification information should be sent to: Gregory Gale, Chief Auditor, Audit Division and Marc McDermott, Chief, Electronic Services Division who are both located at Gaming Control Board, 555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 2600, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

Your swift response to this request will help ensure a timely review and qualification process. If you require additional information or if you have questions regarding this request, you may contact Marc McDermott in Las Vegas at (702) 486-2043.

Sincerely,

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