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TO: ALL GROUP I NONRESTRICTED LICENSEES

RE: TABLE GAMES MICS VARIATION FOR ONE 24-HOUR SHIFT

As of January 21, 2004, all Group I licensees were required to be in compliance with the Minimum Internal Control Standards (MICS) that became effective on October 1, 2003. Note 3 of the Table Games MICS indicates that the term "shift" as used in the table games standards refers to an 8-hour interval unless otherwise approved by the State Gaming Control Board (Board).

The Board frequently receives inquiries from Group I nonrestricted licensees regarding the use of one 24-hour shift for table games and/or card games operations rather than the standard three 8-hour shifts. Since 1994, several licensees have been granted written approval to use a 24-hour shift for table games operations. Due to the success of the 24-hour shift currently being used by several nonrestricted licensees, the Board hereby grants MICS variation approval for a single 24-hour shift for table games and/or card games operations to <u>all</u> Group I nonrestricted licensees who choose to accept this variation. As a result, the Board's policy memorandum on "Requirements for a Single 24-Hour Shift in Pit Areas," dated April 14, 1995, is rescinded and replaced by this notice.

Required Board Notification

Each Group I nonrestricted licensee shall provide within 30 days of the date of this letter written notice indicating which of the following options applies to the licensee's operation and whether it applies to table games, to card games or both:

- 1. Licensee does not operate table games and/or card games.
- Licensee wants to continue using three 8-hour shifts during a 24-hour gaming day for table games and/or card games and no MICS variation is required.
- 3. Licensee accepts the MICS variation for utilizing a single 24-hour shift. For this option, indicate whether it applies to table games and/or card games.

4. Licensee has previously received a MICS variation for a single 24-hour shift (indicate the date of MICS variation approval). Please be advised, as of the date of this letter, the conditions of the MICS variation <u>previously</u> granted are no longer applicable.

If a change to a 24-hour shift is going to be implemented, along with the required aforementioned written notice, amendments to the written system of internal control indicating the procedures regarding the use of a 24-hour shift must be submitted, and the appropriate Regulation 6.130 filings are to be provided to the Board indicating the time of the 24-hour shift table games and/or card games drop. Additionally, compliance with Regulation 1.100 regarding game, number and shift markings on drop boxes is required.

Please be advised that the Board retains the discretion to revoke and/or modify this MICS variation approval.

The written notification, and any questions you may have regarding this matter, should be directed to Internal Control Coordinator Kathleen Gannon, telephone number (702) 486-2060.

Sincerely,

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