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## TO: ALL MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, OPERATORS OF INTER-CASINO LINKED SYSTEMS AND INTERESTED PERSONS

## NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION(S) OF THE NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION AND STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD

The Nevada Gaming Commission will hold a public hearing on or about the hour of 10:00 a.m. on April 22, 2010, in Conference Room 100, 1919 College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada, for the purpose of considering adoption of proposed amendments to the following regulation:

## • <u>NGC REGULATION 14, "MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, OPERATORS</u> <u>OF INTER-CASINO LINKED SYSTEMS, GAMING DEVICES, NEW GAMES,</u> <u>INTER-CASINO LINKED SYSTEMS, ON-LINE SLOT METERING SYSTEMS,</u> <u>CASHLESS WAGERING SYSTEMS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT</u>."

Purpose of Amendments: To provide definitions for the terms "Assume responsibility", "Control program", "Distribution", "Distribute", "Game variation", "Independent Contractor", and "Manufacture" as used in NGC Regulation 14; to modify definitions for the terms "Distributor", "Distributor of associated equipment", "Manufacturer", "Manufacturer of associated equipment", and "Modification" as used in NGC Regulation 14; to add regulation setting the requirements to qualify as an independent contractor; to add regulation establishing the registration requirements for an independent contractor; to add regulation establishing the reporting requirements of an independent contractor; to add regulation establishing required provisions of the agreement between the licensed manufacturer and the independent contractor; to add regulation stating the licensed manufacturer's responsibilities for independent contractors; to change what information must be provided to the State Gaming Control Board (Board) as part of the application for approval of gaming devices and the operation of new inter-casino linked systems; to modify the minimum standards for gaming devices connected to a common payoff schedule; to add regulation allowing the Board's Chairman to publish technical standards for approval of other associated equipment; to remove the sixty (60) day minimum requirement for testing of a new gaming device or new inter-casino linked system at a licensed gaming establishment; to add regulation stating the requirements for the installation of a system based game and a system supported game; to amend regulation to clarify that applications for approval to modify a gaming device or inter-casino linked system must be made by a manufacturer; to amend regulation to require that certain documentation

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> relating to independent contractors be provided as part of the application for approval of a new gaming device if applicable; to add Regulation allowing the Board Chairman to waive certain requirements relating to the marking, registration, and distribution of gaming devices; to add regulation that adds the requirement that applications for approval of promotional devices include a description of how the device complies with all applicable statutes, regulations, and technical standards; to eliminate the requirement that the Board Chairman grant or deny an application for approval of a promotional device within thirty (30) days of the receipt of a complete application; to amend regulations to provide requirements for the approval of game variations; to amend regulations to require an applicant seeking approval of a new game or game variation to pay the costs of the ensuing investigation; to amend regulation to require field trials of game variations; to amend regulations to require the manufacturer seeking approval of associated equipment to pay the cost of any ensuing inspection and investigation; and to take such additional action as may be necessary and proper to effectuate these stated purposes.

The proposed amendments will be considered by the Commission in accordance with the provisions of NRS 463.145 which allows that on the date and at the time and place designated, any interested person, or their duly authorized representative, or both, shall be afforded the opportunity to present statements, arguments or contentions in writing, with or without the opportunity to present the same orally.

In addition, these proposed amendments are agendaed for discussion at the Nevada Gaming Commission meeting on March 18, 2010, in Conference Room 2450, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, on or about the hour of 10:00 a.m.

To obtain copies of the proposed amendments to these regulations, please call the Nevada Gaming Commission office at (775) 684-7750, or submit a written request addressed to the Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 8003, Carson City, Nevada 89702-8003. The above notice and proposed regulation amendments are also available on the Commission's web site at www.gaming.nv.gov.

Sincerely,

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