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NOTICE TO LICENSEES

Notice #2012-36

Issuing Division: Enforcement

DATE: APRIL 9, 2012

TO: ALL NONRESTRICTED LICENSEES AND INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: THE GAMING CONTROL BOARD AND THE LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

RE: PARTY POOLS, DAY CLUBS, ULTRA LOUNGES, NIGHTCLUBS AND SIMILAR VENUES

In 2006 and again in April 2009, the Gaming Control Board distributed Industry Letters advising licensees of ongoing concerns regarding activities at nightclubs, party pools, European pools, day clubs and similar events and venues. In partnership, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and the Gaming Control Board continue to receive complaints relative to criminal activities, misquoting of fees, admission of minors and the handling of patrons. Anticipating the approach of a new pool season, we believe it is necessary and appropriate to renew our admonitions and remind licensees of their responsibilities with regard to these venues.

Through observations and complaints the following issues continue to surface and remain areas of concern. From a criminal standpoint, drug use/distribution, sexual assault, violence, theft, minors and prostitution continue to be a problem. In addition, complaints continue to be received relative to tactics used to collect fees from patrons for entry, bottle service, the handling of incapacitated individuals and restricted access for law enforcement.

While some licensees have taken proactive steps to address these incidents or situations, changes in ownership and operational management occur fairly often. It is appropriate to remind all licensees of the importance and priority these venues have relative to our enforcement efforts. Regardless of the association or contractual agreement between the licensee, a lessee or a third party operator/manager; it remains the responsibility of the licensee to ensure operations conducted on its premises are run in accordance with all local, state and federal laws and gaming regulations. The Board is continuing its focus on this important matter and we intend to hold the licensee accountable for breaches of this responsibility.

We commend the development of these world class entertainment venues, but the incidents described above reflect poorly on the venue, the licensee and on the State of Nevada. Involved law enforcement entities are taking active steps in dealing with illegal acts or unsuitable business practices; persistent problems at any of these venues will be considered an unsuitable method of operation and will likely result in disciplinary actions.

Please be proactive and take the necessary and appropriate steps to ensure the well-being of your patrons. Together, let's continue to protect the positive reputation of Nevada as a safe and enjoyable top tourist destination, and to prevent avoidable incidents that could jeopardize that reputation.

Our two agencies stand ready to work with you to ensure compliance as well as the safety of all visitors and guests to these venues specifically and to the State in general. Questions or requests regarding these issues can be made directly to Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Lt. Roxanne McDaris, 702 808-5083, Nevada State Gaming Control Board, Senior Agent Phillip Pedote, 702 486-2020 (Las Vegas) or, in northern Nevada, Supervisor Russ Niel, 775 823-7250.

Sincerely,



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