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## **NOTICE AND AGENDA OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP ON MORATORIUM REGULATIONS**

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2008, 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

Hearing Room  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
1625 North Market Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95834

### **PUBLIC WORKSHOP AGENDA:**

- Informal public discussion concerning how to implement and interpret the moratorium provision of the Gambling Control Act (Business and Professions Code section 19963)<sup>1</sup> in regulations.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Questions have arisen concerning how to apply the moratorium provision to a wide range of factual situations, for example, a change of cardroom ownership, a request to reopen a closed cardroom, and expiration of a state gambling license. The Commission is soliciting public input on these matters in two workshops, one in Southern California, one in Northern California, with an eye toward adoption of regulations, which would be intended to provide answers to many of the questions. This notice is for the Northern California workshop. (A Southern California workshop was held last month). Interested parties are welcome to attend either or both workshops.

There is no preliminary regulation draft. Staff has, however, prepared a list of situations, which have led to questions, and a list of some of the questions that have arisen.

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<sup>1</sup> Business and Professions Code section 19963 provides:

- (a) In addition to any other limitations on the expansion of gambling imposed by Section 19962 or any provision of this chapter, the commission may not issue a gambling license for a gambling establishment that was not licensed to operate on December 31, 1999, unless an application to operate that establishment was on file with the department [formerly, the division] prior to September 1, 2000.
- (b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2015, and of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2015, deletes or extends that date.

This list is a separate document titled “Moratorium Regulation Workshop Issue List.” This Issue List will be posted in the agenda section of the Commission’s website, under the Attachment column. Issues have been listed for purposes of discussion only, not for the purpose of limiting public input. Participants at the workshop are encouraged to bring up any moratorium-related issue of concern, whether or not the issue appears in the list.

This notice is being sent to the Commission’s agenda mailing list, its rulemaking mailing list, local jurisdictions which have authorized cardrooms, and a special Moratorium Regulations: Interested Parties distribution list. Anyone who wishes to be added to this special distribution list may contact Herb Bolz at the above address, at [hbolz@cgcc.ca.gov](mailto:hbolz@cgcc.ca.gov), 916-263-0452(fax), or 916-263-0490 (voice), indicating whether they prefer to receive email notices or hardcopy notices via U.S. Mail (or both). Questions on other workshop-related matters may also be directed to Herb Bolz.

No action will be taken by the Commission at this workshop. Comments received at the workshop, either orally or in writing, will not be summarized or formally responded to in the manner prescribed by the rulemaking part of the Administrative Procedure Act (“APA”). Comments will nonetheless be carefully considered as the Commission determines which matters to address in regulation and how to address them. After the workshops have been held, the Commission will initiate a formal APA rulemaking process by preparing a notice of proposed action, which will begin a 45-day public comment period. Comments received during this 45-day APA public comment period will be summarized and responded to in the official rulemaking record.

The workshop is accessible to the physically disabled. Any person who needs disability-related accommodations or modifications in order to participate in the meeting shall make a request no later than five (5) working days before the meeting to the Commission by contacting Barbara Mello at 916-263-4796, or TDD 1-800-345-4275, or by sending a written request to that person at the Commission’s address above. Any person with a disability, who wishes to receive this Notice and Agenda in an alternative format, should also contact Barbara Mello.

**For directions to the workshop site, please see: <http://www.dca.ca.gov/directions>**