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DATE: October 19, 2009
TO: ELIGIBLE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
RE: STATUS OF THE REMOTE CALLER BINGO PROGRAM PURSUANT TO
SB 1369 (Cedillo, Chapter 748, Statutes of 2008)

This is to follow up the California Gambling Control Commission's (Commission) letter of June 17, 2009 advising eligible nonprofit organizations of the Remote Caller Bingo Program (Program) being held in abeyance.

The Commission has identified loan funding to reactivate and sustain the Program through June 30, 2010. Therefore, the Commission will begin processing the applications that have been received to date, including applications for interim licenses for bingo manufacturers and distributors, interim approval of bingo card-minding devices, and applications to conduct remote caller bingo.

Commission staff will be contacting authorized representatives to notify them of the status of their application packages. In addition, the Commission will continue to proceed with proposing permanent regulations to further implement the Program.

Although funding is available to cover the Commission's cost to administer the Program, costs incurred for the prior fiscal year and the current fiscal year have been funded primarily through authorized loans. All loan amounts are required by law to be repaid to the California Bingo Fund. Therefore, the Commission will continue to closely monitor whether there is sufficient interest, demand, and future funding for the Program.

In order to evaluate demand for the Program, the Commission is requesting nonprofit organizations that anticipate participating in remote caller bingo to submit the necessary forms and applications to begin the process. For a step-by-step guide on becoming authorized to conduct remote caller bingo, please refer to the document titled, "Remote Caller Bingo Process," which can be found on the Commission's website at www.cgcc.ca.gov/bingo.asp.

For nonprofit organizations that may be interested in conducting remote caller bingo, but are not yet ready to submit the necessary forms and applications, the Commission is requesting that these organizations submit a letter of intent to apply

for licensure. Please see the attached sample format for that letter. This information will assist the Commission in evaluating potential interest in the Program.

The Commission looks forward to working with nonprofit organizations interested in participating in this unique and exciting fundraising activity. If you have any questions, please contact James Allen, Remote Caller Bingo Manager, Licensing Division at (916) 263-4024.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

Attachment:

- ✓ Sample Letter of Intent to Apply for Licensure

cc: The Honorable Gilbert Cedillo

- Ms. Cori Ayala
- Mr. Daniel Savage
- Ms. Kathryn A. Lynch
- Mr. John Lovell
- Mr. Kenneth Larsen
- Mr. George Wiley
- Mr. Eric Johnson
- Mr. Rod Brewer
- Mr. Chris Lindstrom
- Mr. Aaron Maguire
- Ms. Teresa Calvert
- Mr. Jacob Appelsmith

Sample Letter of Intent to Apply for Licensure to Conduct Remote Caller Bingo

To: California Gambling Control Commission
Attention: Bingo Program
2399 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 220
Sacramento, CA 95833

From: _____

RE: Letter of Intent to Apply for Licensure to Conduct Remote Caller Bingo

This is to inform the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) that _____ is interested in participating in remote caller bingo; however, our organization is not currently prepared to submit the required forms and documents at this time.

In lieu of applying to conduct remote caller bingo our organization is submitting this letter to inform the Commission of our intent to apply in the future. The information being supplied below is being provided to assist the Commission in evaluating the demand for remote caller bingo.

- 1) Legal name of organization: _____
- 2) Type of organization (e.g. fraternal order, religious, senior citizens' organization, etc.): _____
- 3) Authorized Representative Information:
Name: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Mailing Address: _____

E-mail address: _____
- 4) Estimated frequency that remote caller bingo games will be conducted (e.g. weekly, monthly, etc.): _____
Note: An organization cannot conduct remote caller bingo more than one day per week.
- 5) Estimated number of locations that will participate in remote caller bingo: _____