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To: California Gambling Control Commission Stakeholders

Re: Relief Provided During COVID-19 State of Emergency

The California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) recognizes that the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has had an extreme impact on all of our stakeholders. COVID-19 has presented some unprecedented challenges for all. In an effort to ease the challenges our licensees are currently experiencing, the Commission has been working tirelessly with the Governor's Office to provide our licensees with relief from hardships caused by this State of Emergency via an Executive Order issued by Governor Newsom. Late yesterday, Governor Newsom released [Executive Order N-40-20](#). This Executive Order provides a 60-day extension for the following industry fees and specific application and reporting timeframe extensions for those cardroom and Third-Party Provider of Proposition Player Services (TPPPS) that suspends operations due to the declared COVID-19 State of Emergency:

**ANNUAL FEES** – Any annual fee currently due or that would otherwise become due during the declared State of Emergency will be extended for 60-days without penalty. This includes any installment payments currently due. If you have questions regarding the revised due dates for the annual fee payments, please contact Bureau of Gambling Control Director, Stephanie Shimazu, via email at [Stephanie.Shimazu@doj.ca.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Shimazu@doj.ca.gov).

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRATION DATES** – The expiration dates for current holders of a license, registration, work permit, or finding of suitability that would otherwise expire during the declared State of Emergency are extended for 60 days. However, the Bureau and Commission are continuing to process and act on applications already received to the extent possible.

**EXTENSION OF APPLICATION AND FEE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS** –For any applicant currently required to submit an initial or renewal application the deadlines for submission and payment of related fees is extended for 60 days.

***For Renewal Applicants:*** The Commission encourages those that are able to submit the required applications and/or associated fees within the required timeframes to do so. Doing so will allow the Commission to continue to process applications during the proclaimed State of Emergency. However, any applications and/or related fees that would have been otherwise required to be submitted to the Bureau during the proclaimed emergency will not be penalized or deemed late if submitted no later than 60 days after the initial due date.

***For Initial Applicants:*** The relief provided does not allow anyone to actively work in controlled gambling without holding the required license, work permit, registration, finding of suitability, or other approval. If an applicant intends to actively work in a position that requires a license, work permit, registration, finding of suitability, or other approval, either during the timeframe of the COVID-19 State of Emergency or thereafter, all initial applications **MUST** be filed and deemed complete by the Bureau, per existing requirements and the approval issued. However, payment of any related fee may be delayed for up to 60 days after the application is submitted.

**EXTENSION OF DUE DATE FOR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTING** – The due date for any annual financial reporting and/or audited reports that would otherwise be due during the declared State of Emergency is extended for 60 days. For an example, those financial reports that were otherwise due on April 30, 2020, are now due no later than June 29, 2020.

**EXTENSION OF EXISTING CONDITIONS AND/OR RESTRICTIONS PLACED ON LICENSES** – For any existing holder of a license, work permit, or finding of suitability that is required to meet specified Commission imposed conditions or restrictions requiring certain action be taken during the declared State of Emergency, the deadlines for such action are extended for 60 day.

Please be advised that the above temporary relief from the State licensing requirements does not provide any exemption or relief to existing local jurisdiction requirements.

The Commission will continue to monitor the current COVID-19 State of Emergency, the resulting impact to the industry, and advise the industry immediately if any additional relief is provided.

If you have any questions, please contact the Commission via email at [comments@cgcc.ca.gov](mailto:comments@cgcc.ca.gov).

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. Stay healthy.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

cc: Tribal Gaming Agencies  
Cardroom Industry Designated Agents