#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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PUBLIC MEETING

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BEFORE: WILLIAM H. RYAN, JR., CHAIRMAN

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McCall, Anthony C. Moscato, Gary A. Sojka,

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Meuser, Secretary of Revenue

Jorge Augusto, Representing George Greig,

Secretary of Agriculture

MEETING: Wednesday, July 11, 2012

11:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Strawberry Square Complex

Second Floor

Harrisburg, PA 17101

WITNESSES: Ryan Hodder, Jabbar Wells

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### PROCEEDINGS

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### CHAIRMAN:

Okay. We will now begin our regularly scheduled meeting, all the members being present. By way of announcement, the Board held an executive session yesterday, July 10th. The purpose of yesterday's executive session was to discuss pending litigation, personnel-related matters and to conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relating to matters being heard and considered by the Board today.

The Board also decided yesterday that we will now accept applications for the remaining

Category 2 Slot Machine License and Table Games

Certificate. By law, the licensed casino must be located in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The application and instructions are available on the Board's website. The deadline for submission is

November 15th, 2012.

Next, we will have consideration of a motion to approve transcript and minutes of the Board's May 23rd meeting.

#### MR. FAJT:

Yes, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board approve the minutes and transcript of the May 23rd,

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    2012 meeting.
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                 MR. GINTY:
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                  CHAIRMAN:
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    ALL SAY AYE
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    Rhen, our Budget Manager.
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                 MR. RHEN:
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    expenditures through June 30th which marked the last
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    day for fiscal year 2011/12. At this time fiscal year
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    expenses total $31,983,000. Giving one additional
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    payable, we anticipate that total expenses for fiscal
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    year '11/12 will increase by approximately $1.4
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    personnel expenses stood at $26.6 million or 88
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    percent of overall Board expenditures. And operating
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    expenditures stood at $5.3 million or 12 percent of
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overall expenses for the year. By category, payroll 1 2 broke down to 77 percent for salaries and 30 percent 3 for cost of employee benefits. For operating expenses 4 the largest single expense category was rentals and leases accounting for \$1.9 million or 36 percent of 5 overall expenditures, followed by services at \$1.2 6 7 million or 24 percent of operating expenses, other 8 operating expenses at \$945,000 or 18 percent and data 9 telecommunications at \$486,000 or 9.2 percent of operating expenses. For the month of June alone 10 11 expenditures total \$2.4 million with the payroll 12 totaling \$2.1 million and operations totaling 13 \$274,000. That concludes my remarks. 14 CHAIRMAN: 15 Thank you, David. Any questions of 16 David? Next, Doug Sherman, our Chief Counsel. Doug. 17 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: 18 Good morning, Chairman and Members of the 19 Board. Our first agenda items relates to proposed 20 regulations, which Assistant Chief Counsel Susan Yocum 21 is here to present. 22 ATTORNEY YOCUM: 23 Good morning. 24 CHAIRMAN: 25 Morning, Sue.

## ATTORNEY YOCUM:

Good morning. Before I address the two rulemakings on the agenda for today, I just wanted to --- the Board with a brief update as to where we are with our regulations. I'm happy to say that the last of the initial compliment on table games, which cover 30 chapters, have now as of last Friday been printed in final form. This process to transition regulations from temporary to proposed to final began well over a year ago and wouldn't have been possible without the help of the wonderful staff of the Independent Regulatory Review Commission and the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Now that the push to transition to table game chapters is more or less complete, the primary focus is now going to be with respect to regulations. It's going to be to evaluate where we are and amend regulations accordingly, which leads me to the first agenda item for today, which is Proposed Rulemaking 125-162. It will modify the requirements for operators to terminate, transfer or modify progressive slot machines. It will allow dealers to accept tip wagers provided that the tip is collected after each round of play. It will require operators to provide monthly Table Game Device Master List reports to the

10 Bureau of Gaming Laboratory Operations. 1 This is a 2 requirement that already exists with respect to slots. 3 We're just updating it now to reflect table games as well. We'll also add the Panda 8 side wager to all 4 baccarat games and we'll update an incorrect pay table 5 6 and blackjack. I'd be more than happy to answer any 7 questions you may have. 8 CHAIRMAN: Questions from the Board? Ex-Officio 9 10 May I have a motion? Members? 11 MR. TRUJILLO: 12 Mr. Chairman, I move the Board adopt 13 Proposed Regulation 125-162 and that the proposed 14 regulation be posted on the Board's website. 15 MR. SOJKA: 16 Second. 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 All in favor? ALL SAY AYE 19 20 CHAIRMAN: 21 Opposed? Motion carries. 22 ATTORNEY YOCUM: 23 The next rulemaking is a temporary 24 Regulation, 125-163. This adds a brand new game,

Three Dice Football to the compliment of table games.

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This is a game that is owned by TCS JOHN HUXLEY which 1 is a licensed manufacturer in the Commonwealth of 2 3 Pennsylvania. Included in this rulemaking are the 4 rules of play and the payout table. I'd be happy to 5 answer any questions. 6 CHAIRMAN: 7 Questions, comments from the Board? 8 MR. SOJKA: 9 What this organization would have for sale then I take it would be the concept of the game, 10 11 a felt and one special kind of die; is that it? 12 ATTORNEY YOCUM: 13 That's correct. 14 MR. SOJKA: That's all there is? 15 16 ATTORNEY YOCUM: 17 Yes. 18 MR. SOJKA: 19 Thank you. 20 CHAIRMAN: 21 You thinking of the business here. 22 other questions? From Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 23 24 MR. FAJT: 25 Yes, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board 1 adopt Temporary Regulation 125-163 and that this
2 regulation be posted on the Board's website.

MR. MCCALL:

4 Second.

CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

ALL SAY AYE

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8 <u>CHAIRMAN:</u>

Opposed? The motion carries.

ATTORNEY YOCUM:

11 Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN:

Thank you, Susan.

14 ATTORNEY SHERMAN:

Today the Board has two Petitions before it for a vote. Each of these matters relates to a Greenwood Gaming and was heard earlier this morning by the Board. In each of the matters, in addition to the presentations which were made and the documentary submissions by way of the PowerPoint presentations, the Board has been provided with Greenwood's petitions, Office of Enforcement Counsel's (OEC) responses and any other matters submitted into the

As to the first, the Greenwood Petition

for a Waiver of Section 465a.26(b)(2) of the Board's regulations, the Board has heard that Greenwood is requesting Waiver of the requirement to have two staff members process and verify jackpot payouts between \$1,200 and \$4,999.99 or anything less than \$5,000, and only to retain that requirement for jackpot payouts of \$5,000 or more. The OEC is not objecting to the request so long as the Casino Slot Management System and the Central Control Computer System are fully operational. As Greenwood stated today, in the event that those systems were not operational, the old requirements of having two verifiers and processors would remain in place.

If the Board is inclined to grant the request, I would suggest the same rule be made applicable by policy and followed up by regulation for all casinos so that we have a uniformity and approach throughout the industry on the decision. Greenwood has also requested that Exhibit A to its Petition, which describes each of the 46,309 jackpots, one in the range --- in this range in 2011 be maintained as confidential because of certain proprietary information contained therein. Both OEC and the Office of Chief Counsel (OCC) believe that a confidential designation is appropriate. And the

1 | matters are now ready for the Board's consideration.

CHAIRMAN:

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Any questions, comments from the Board?

4 | Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?

MR. GINTY:

6 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue

7 | an Order to approve Greenwood Gaming and

8 | Entertainment's Petition including their

9 | confidentiality request as described by the OCC.

MR. MCCALL:

11 Second.

12 CHAIRMAN:

13 All in favor?

14 ALL SAY AYE

15 CHAIRMAN:

16 Opposed? Motion carries.

17 ATTORNEY SHERMAN:

18 The next matter is Greenwood's Petition

19 | for Modification to its Gaming Floor. Again, this is

20 | the second matter that the Board heard earlier today,

21 | in which Greenwood is requesting to be allowed to

22 decrease the number of both table games and slot

23 | machines by removing in most part the lower revenue

24 | generating machines to increase their business

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1 come into the new facility. If the Board is inclined
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- 2 to grant the Petition, OEC has requested 14 conditions
- 3 which are outlined in their Answer. Greenwood has
- 4 | also requested that floor plans attached to the
- 5 | Petition, which would include security and
- 6 | surveillance information, be maintained as
- 7 | confidential. OEC has not objected to that request.
- 8 And the OCC believes that the confidential designation
- 9 is appropriate. This matter --- both matters are now
- 10 before the Board for its consideration.

# 11 CHAIRMAN:

- 12 Questions or comments from the Board?
- 13 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?

# MR. MCCALL:

- 15 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue
- 16 | an Order to approve Greenwood Gaming and
- 17 | Entertainment, Inc.'s Petition as described by the
- 18 OCC.
- 19 CHAIRMAN:
- 20 Second
- MR. MOSCATO:
- 22 Second.
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## ATTORNEY SHERMAN:

Next reporting Withdrawals and Reports and Recommendations is Deputy Chief Counsel Steve Cook.

#### ATTORNEY COOK:

Good morning, Chairman.

### CHAIRMAN:

Morning, Steve.

# ATTORNEY COOK:

The Board has received eight unopposed Petitions to withdraw the applications or surrender the credentials of individuals or businesses. The persons and entities subject to these petitions are as follows, Brintons U.S. Axminster, Inc., Robert Ciunci, David Lopez, MCA Processing, LLC, Key Qualifier Application of Trust, II For the Benefit of Children of Nicholas DeNaples, and that application pertains solely to GSP N&L Transportation, Inc. which the trust was a principal of. Steal One, LLC d/b/a JAMS, Summa Hardware, Inc. and Joseph A. Wellenbusher, III. The OEC has no objection to these Petitions. As such, if the Board were inclined to grant same, they'd be doing so without prejudice.

## CHAIRMAN:

2 Questions or comments from the Board?

Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?

## MR. MOSCATO:

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue Orders to approve the Withdrawals and Surrenders as described by the OCC.

### MR. SOJKA:

Second.

# CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

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#### CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? Motion carries.

#### ATTORNEY COOK:

Next before the Board for consideration are two reports relative to Petitions for Removals from the Prohibited Vendor's List and four reports and recommendations received from the Office of Hearings and Appeals relative to one Petition to be placed on the Board's Exclusion List, two Gaming Employee Permits and one Non-Gaming Registration. These reports and recommendations have been provided to the Board in advance of this meeting along with the evidentiary record. In addition, each person or

- business implicated by the Board recommendation has
  been given notice that the matter is coming before the
  Board today and that they had the ability to come
  forward to briefly address the Board. If any such
  persons are present, I'd ask them to come forward when
  their matter is announced.
  - The first report before the Board today from the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), it pertains to Maple Direct's Petition to be removed from the Prohibited Vendor's List. I believe Maple Direct and representing Counsel are present if the Board has questions.

Maple Direct is a marketing company which was issued a Vendor Registration on December 3rd, 2007. Maple Direct thereafter conducted business with Mount Airy until April 2009 and had invoiced that facility approximately \$228,000 to that date of April 2009. Because the company surpassed the \$200,000 threshold, the regulations in place at that time required that Maple Direct submit a Vendor Certification Application, which they were asked to do, but subsequently never fully complied with. As a result, Maple Direct was subsequently placed on the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List effective June 2010. Subsequent to placement on that list, however,

Maple Direct ended up continuing to do business with
Mount Airy and billed them for \$40,000 in additional
services while on the list.

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This matter was first brought before the

5 Board at April 11th, 2012 Board Meeting. At that time, the Board asked that the matter be remanded to 6 7 the OHA so an evidentiary record could be generated to 8 support whatever the outcome was going to be. hearing in this matter was held at Hearings and 9 Appeals on April 26th, 2012. Maple Direct and their 10 11 Counsel appeared and offered testimony and exhibits. 12 The Hearing Officer thereafter issued a report outlining findings of fact relative to this matter and 13 noted essentially that the problem --- or the evidence 14 presented indicated that the problem and the reason 15 16 this company failed noncompliance with the Board and 17 was placed on the Prohibited Vendor's List was due to 18 the health issues associated with its 90 percent Owner 19 and Chief Principal. So these were the findings of 20 the Hearing Officer.

At present, the report's before the Board. The OEC continues to support removal from the list upon payment of a \$3,000 civil penalty. And the matter is now ripe for Board's consideration.

# CHAIRMAN:

Any questions or comments from the Board? 1 2 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 3 MR. SOJKA: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I'll move that the 4 Board approve Maple Direct's request to be removed 5 6 from the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List as 7 described by the OCC, upon payment of a \$3,000 civil 8 penalty. 9 CHAIRMAN: 10 Second? 11 MR. TRUJILLO: 12 Second. 13 CHAIRMAN: 14 All in favor? ALL SAY AYE 15 16 CHAIRMAN: 17 Opposed? Motion carries. 18 ATTORNEY COOK: The next report from the OHA pertains to 19 Vision Solution's Petition to be removed from the 20 21 Prohibited Gaming Service Provider's List. I would note for the record that Mark Stewart from the Eckert 22 23 Seamans firm is here today to answer any Board 24 questions. 25 CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Stewart.

## ATTORNEY COOK:

Vision Solutions submitted their

Sponsored Vendor Registration Form and application fee on October 22nd, 2008. During review of the application, the Board's Bureau of Licensing determined that Vision Solutions needed to cure nine deficiencies within their application. In the following months, despite being informed on two more occasions that the application was deficient, these problems were never cured. The Bureau of Licensing thereafter placed Vision Solutions on the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List. But subsequent to being placed on that list, Vision Solutions continued to do business with four Pennsylvania casinos and was compensated a total of \$26,888.15.

Vision Solutions now requests to be removed from the list and has filed a new application for Gaming Service Provider Registration including curing all prior deficiencies. As with the previous matter, this was brought before the Board previously, and at that time the OEC recommended a civil penalty of I believe \$4,500. The penalty as proposed at that time consisted of a \$1,500 penalty to be removed from the list, \$1,500 additional for doing business with a

casino while on the list and then \$500 penalties for doing business with each additional casino. They did business with four casinos in total.

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As the Board asked, as with Maple Direct, that the matter be referred back to the OHA through an evidentiary hearing, in lieu of that hearing occurring, a stipulation of facts and an affidavit from a --- someone from management at Vision Solutions, I believe it was their Chief Counsel, was put into the record and a report was subsequently generated and given to the Board in advance of the meeting. Essentially the findings of the Hearing Officer in that report were that this particular company was going through a period of substantial and fast growth, and at the same time had some turnover with respect to their Pennsylvania representatives, I believe it's a California company, causing a lot of deficiencies here within the Commonwealth to kind of slip between the cracks. As indicated, Mr. Stewart is present and is able to answer your questions if the Board has any.

# CHAIRMAN:

Any questions from the Board?

#### MR. SOJKA:

Just curious again, how many different

casinos did it do --- did the organization doing 1 business with after being on the list? 2 ATTORNEY STEWART: 4 Four. 5 MR. SOJKA: 6 So if it was \$1,500 per, that'd be Four. 7 a \$6,000 penalty. 8 ATTORNEY COOK: 9 We also typically impose \$1,500 to be 10 removed from the list, so it would be \$7,500. 11 MR. SOJKA: \$7,500. 12 13 CHAIRMAN: 14 Anything else, Gary? 15 MR. SOJKA: That's it. 16 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 Anybody else? May I have a motion? 19 MR. TRUJILLO: 20 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board 21 approve Vision Solution's request to be removed from the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List as 22 23 described by the Office of Chief Counsel upon payment of a \$7,500 civil penalty consisting of \$1,500 to be 24 25 removed from the list and \$1,500 each --- for each

1 casino it did business with while on the list.

MR. FAJT:

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5 All in favor?

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8 Opposed? Motion carries.

ATTORNEY STEWART:

10 Thank you, Commissioners.

11 CHAIRMAN:

12 Thank you, Mr. Stewart.

ATTORNEY COOK:

Recommendation before the Board today. On February 13th, 2012, the OEC filed a complaint requesting that Mr. Fernandez be placed on the Board's Exclusion List. Upon receipt of the complaint, Mr. Fernandez requested a hearing which was held on April 3rd, 2012. Both Mr. Hernandez and the OEC appeared at the hearing and offered testimony and written exhibits. During the hearing, Mr. Fernandez admitted that he conspired with a Harrah's Philadelphia employee and obtained and redeemed \$46,665 in free play which he was not

otherwise entitled to. Subsequent to that discovery,

the Harrah's employee was terminated, his license was
revoked and he was charged criminally.

Additionally, Mr. Fernandez was also charged criminally with theft and was ultimately admitted into Delaware County's ARD program. He was also ordered to perform community service and pay restitution to Harrah in the amount of \$46,665. I would note for the record that court records indicate that that amount was paid in full.

Board recommends that Mr. Fernandez be placed on the Exclusion List. The OEC concurs in that recommendation and would also ask that the Board Order issued in this matter indicate that certain of Mr. Fernandez's personal information be redacted from Respondent's Exhibit Two, the OEC's Exhibit Five and Hearing Officer's Exhibit One. That information I believe being Social Security numbers, personal home

The Report and Recommendation before the

#### CHAIRMAN:

address and that sort of information.

Is Jamie Fernandez in the hearing room?

Any questions or comments from the Board? Ex-Officio

Members? May I have a motion?

#### MR. FAJT:

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board

26 remove the Report and Recommendation of OHA as 1 described by the OCC. 2 3 MR. GINTY: Second. 4 5 CHAIRMAN: 6 All in favor? 7 ALL SAY AYE 8 CHAIRMAN: 9 Opposed? The motion carries. 10 ATTORNEY COOK: 11 The next Report and Recommendation 12 pertains to Ryan Hodder, who I believe may also be 13 present. I'd ask him to come forward, if he is. 14 CHAIRMAN: 15 Ryan Hodder? 16 MR. HODDER: 17 Yes. 18 ATTORNEY COOK: Mr. Hodder submitted his application for 19 20 a Gaming Level 2 Permit seeking work as a Dealer 21 Dual-Rate Floor Supervisor at Mount Airy. Mr. Hodder was issued a temporary credential after passing the 22 23 preliminary criminal background check. Mr. Hodder 24 stated on his application that he had been employed by 25 the Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut as a Dual Rate

- 1 Dealer/Supervisor but had left that position due to
- 2 | personal reasons. He also indicated on his
- 3 application that he had never been the subject of any
- 4 disciplinary actions and that he had never been
- 5 suspended or fired by any prior employer.
- The OEC issued a Notice of Recommendation
- 7 of Denial on February 9th, 2012. In it, the OEC
- 8 | alleges that the Mohegan Tribal Gaming Commission had
- 9 revoked Mr. Hodder's gaming license in 2006 for
- 10 | conducting a scheme to circumvent Mohegan Sun's tip
- 11 | policy. Mr. Hodder was contacted by Bureau of
- 12 | Investigations and Enforcement (BIE) regarding the
- 13 revocation and indicated to them that this was an
- 14 error and that he would provide BIE with documentation
- 15 | indicating that his license had not been revoked.
- 16 However, no such information was ever provided to BIE.
- 17 Mr. Hodder requested a hearing on the
- 18 recommendation of the denial of his application. The
- 19 hearing was held on April 12th, 2012. Both Mr. Hodder
- 20 and the OEC appeared and offered evidence into the
- 21 record. At that time Mr. Hodder did admit that he did
- 22 | not leave the job for family reasons, but in fact, was
- 23 | fired by Mohegan Sun in Connecticut. He also stated
- 24 | at that hearing that he was not aware that his license
- 25 | had been revoked because although he had attended the

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    Board today recommends that Mr. Hodder's application
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                  That's all right. We understand.
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29 1 name. 2 MR. HODDER: Ryan Hodder, H-O-D-E-R. 3 4 CHAIRMAN: 5 You can sit. 6 7 RYAN HODDER, HAVING FIRST BEEN DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED 8 AS FOLLOWS: 9 10 CHAIRMAN: 11 All right. Mr. Hodder, what do you have to say? 12 A. I agree with everything that was said. The only 13 problem I had was I had --- I don't know what good it 14 does now, but I have a number from the Department of 15 16 Special Revenue in Connecticut where I had contacted 17 them and they informed me that my license was not 18 revoked through the state, which in turn I contacted 19 Mohegan Sun and they told me it was suspended through 20 the tribe. 21 When I had heard that, I went back and I went in, 22 and I was told that I could amend my application, 23 which I have documentation here that I did amend my 24 application after I found out it was suspended through 25 the tribe. At my initial hearing that was not brought

- 1 out forthright that I had amended my application. I
- 2 | tried to explain that it was amended. At that time I
- 3 didn't know that I needed any kind of documentation or
- 4 proof. I have it here that I printed out my
- 5 application and the amendment that is stating that I
- 6 do realize my license is suspended through the tribe.
- 7 | I have it right here, if you'd like to see it, if I
- 8 | can present it to you.
- 9 And underneath is the Department of Special
- 10 Revenue number in Connecticut where I was informed
- 11 | that my license was only suspended through the tribe,
- 12 that they are not allowed to revoke or suspend my
- 13 license through the state, that it was just a tribal
- 14 | suspension. Therefore, I figured all I had to do was
- 15 | just amend my application. I wasn't trying to lie or
- 16 be untruthful. When Matthew presented this to me, I
- 17 | went and I made the necessary phone calls to the
- 18 Department, to Mohegan Sun and found all this out.
- 19 | And then that's when I amended my application and
- 20 | tried to make it right. I thought I did. Apparently
- 21 I didn't.
- I mean, I've been in this business a long time.
- 23 | mean, this is what I do. This is my life. I mean, if
- 24 | you --- if you had decided not to allow me to work in
- 25 Pennsylvania, I mean, please don't revoke my license.

Give me the opportunity to go somewhere else and work. 1 I mean, it says in --- it says when you fill the 2 3 application out about character and about, you know, pride in your job, things like that, and that's 4 5 something I do have. And for people to sit here --and if I had asked any of you, do you work on 6 7 computers, yes. Well, you know what, I don't think 8 you do. That's like what they're saying to me, that I don't have character, that they're judging my 9 character based on something so minute than this that 10 11 I tried to amend and make right. I mean, to me that 12 isn't judging my character. You want to judge my character, come see me at work, come see what I do at 13 14 home. You know what I mean? To me that's --- that's how strongly I feel about my job that I appealed this 15 16 again because I strongly believe that I am right for 17 this job, no matter what state I'm in. Without 18 literally doing it, I'm begging you to please not take 19 my license away. I haven't killed anybody. I haven't 20 stolen anything. I haven't --- you know, I tried to make everything right that I could. And that's ---. 21 22

## CHAIRMAN:

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Ms. Sacavage, any response?

### ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

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32 OEC maintains the assertions put forth in our denial 1 letter and the subsequent hearing and urges the Board 2 3 to adopt the Recommendation and Report of the Hearing Officer. 4 5 CHAIRMAN: And again, that recommendation is that 6 7 the application for a license be denied; is that 8 correct? 9 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: That's correct. Mr. Hodder is not under 10 a revocation process in Pennsylvania, although he will 11 12 lose his temporary permit and at a future date --- he does have a gaming permit with this Board, and OEC 13 will take action to revoke that. 14 15 CHAIRMAN: 16 Ken? 17 MR. TRUJILLO: 18 Okay. Is the --- so the action right 19 now, the enforcement action is to deny his 20 application? 21 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: 22 The application for the G2 permit, ---23 MR. TRUJILLO: 24 Correct. 25 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

33 1 --- the supervisor position? 2 MR. TRUJILLO: 3 Right. 4 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: 5 That's correct. MR. TRUJILLO: 6 7 And the basis for the denial is the false 8 information provided on the application? 9 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: The false information as well as the 10 11 revocation by the Mohegan Tribe and the underlying conduct behind that revocation. 12 13 MR. TRUJILLO: So the substantive conduct in --- at 14 Mohegan Sun is also the basis for the OEC's action? 15 16 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: 17 That's correct. 18 MR. TRUJILLO: And as I understood, the description that 19 20 I heard related to tip violations, can you give me 21 more detail of what those violations were? 22 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: 23 In summary, the --- as we know, the tokes 24 are taken altogether and divided amongst the team of 25 dealers. It was alleged and it was it was found to be

- 1 | truthful in the Notice of Decision for the Mohegan
- 2 Tribal Council that was Mr. Hodder was doing was
- 3 directing patrons to put tips on a waitress' tray.
- 4 And then later Mr. Hodder would approach that waitress
- 5 | and said that's mine, so that he could circumvent the
- 6 communal toke policy.

# MR. TRUJILLO:

8 So it wouldn't be distributed as equally

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# 10 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

11 Right.

## MR. TRUJILLO:

13 | --- according to policy with the other

14 employees? I understand.

### 15 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

16 Right. The waitresses become alarmed and

17 reported him.

#### 18 MR. TRUJILLO:

- 19 I guess, Mr. Hodder, the question I had,
- 20 | are those facts accurate?
- 21 A. No, those aren't accurate. This is when --- when
- 22 | I was approached by the Gaming Commission, I went in
- 23 and I was truthful with them. I spoke to them. I
- 24 | told them there is, as there is here --- there is
- 25 audiotape somewhere that this did happen, this girl

had offered me the money. I mean, I made a lot of 1 2 money the eight years that I was there. For a \$25 or 3 \$50 tip, I'm sorry I'm not risking a \$50,000 a year job for a \$25 tip. I proved and showed them that she 4 5 offered it to me, I refused it. They were, excuse me, so hell-bent on not --- on not believing me. 6 7 believed their own investigators that --- they forced 8 me to sign a confession, which to this day, I'll take a lie detector and tell you I didn't do it. 9 As you guys well know, if you are cited for stealing anything 10 11 in the casino, you are going to be arrested. 12 never arrested. They could not prove anything, other than hearsay, her word against mine. And I was not 13 14 arrested. And they had suspended my license --- my gaming license at Mohegan. They could not suspend it 15 16 through the state because they did not have just cause 17 They would have had to arrest me if they to do so. 18 had that much proof on that. That's my side.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

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Thank you, Mr. Hodder. And one other question is --- on that issue is what evidence was presented at Hearings and Appeals here relating to the substantive underlying conduct?

#### ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

Mr. Trujillo, OEC Exhibit Two that was

1 entered into hearing on page six references a signed

2 | confession that Mr. Hodder made admitting to the

3 | conduct. And that does not take away from the fact

4 that later on this was never disclosed in an

5 application, any of these facts. In fact, he listed

6 his leaving Mohegan Sun for personal and family

7 | reasons. This was only the work of our investigators

8 | that was able to uncover all of this. The lack of

9 truthfulness is a serious issue in this matter.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

I'm sorry. What evidence was presented

12 here with respect to the underlying conduct in

13 | Connecticut?

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# ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

15 Our Notice of Decision from the Mohegan

16 | Tribal Council was admitted as evidence in our

17 | hearing. Those Findings of Fact were included in that

18 | Notice of Decision that referenced the underlying

19 conduct.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

So in order to accept Mr. Hodder's

22 | version, we would have to in effect overturn the

23 | factual findings of Mohegan Sun's --- I guess their

24 commission?

## ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

1 Right. And if I may submit that the

2 | underlying conduct in Connecticut is almost a

3 | secondary issue in our denial of the Applicant's

4 | Gaming Level 2 Permit, that of course upon

5 | investigation, number one, we find the revocation, and

6 number two, we find the basis for the revocation and

7 | the evidence included in the Findings of Fact. But

8 | for our purpose it was primarily lack of suitability

9 and truthfulness in investigation.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

I understand. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

12 That's all I have.

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### MR. GINTY:

14 | Mr. Hodder suggested that he --- or said

15 he amended his application ---

16 A. I have it right here.

### MR. GINTY:

18 | --- in order to, at least in his view,

19 | indicate that his license had been suspended or what

20 have you.

## ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

22 And this was after he was requested to do

23 so by our investigators. And OEC's position that

24 | although there was an amendment, we still have a basis

25 | for denial because of the prior revocation and the

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continuing dishonesty that went on throughout our
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    investigation. It's part of the record, and the
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    Report and Recommendation discusses, Mr. Hodder
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    revocation. In fact, he attended hearings and
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    testified at them. He signed confessions to his
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    conduct.
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                 MR. GINTY:
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    underlying ---
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                  ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:
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                 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:
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                 MR. GINTY:
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                 We've had a number of instances where BIE
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    has permitted applicants to amend their applications
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    based on matters discovered by BIE. So I mean, the
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    fact that someone brought it to his attention and it
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    basis of the ---?
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If I could interject here, is it OEC's 1 position that he amended it because he got caught? 2 3 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: That's correct. That's our position. 4 5 CHAIRMAN: That from the beginning he wasn't 6 7 truthful. We are calling --- OEC is calling him on 8 it, and okay, now I'm going to amend it; agreed? 9 ATTORNEY SACAVAGE: 10 Right. 11 CHAIRMAN: 12 Agreed? 13 ATTORNEY PITRE: 14 Agreed. And if that's the case --- if that's the line that we're going to take with this, 15 then no one will be found unsuitable ---16 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 That's exactly correct. 19 ATTORNEY PITRE: 20 --- because everyone will be allowed to get into the industry once they amend their 21 application. I think the problem with this is not 22 23 only the initial, the initial untruthfulness, but then 24 when you find out what that untruthfulness went back 25 to was his activity in the Gaming Industry. And

- 1 | that's where we draw the line. And if it was
- 2 | something, you know, that could be fixed, we've
- 3 | always, you know, erred the side of caution in
- 4 | allowing people --- giving them a chance to prove
- 5 themselves and we can't. But I don't think this is
- 6 one of those situations.
- 7 A. But see, there you are assuming, judging my
- 8 | character, once again, ---.

# CHAIRMAN:

10 Mr. Hodder, ---.

# ATTORNEY PITRE:

- 12 That's my job.
- 13 A. I didn't get caught.

# 14 CHAIRMAN:

- 15 Mr. Hodder, that's it. All right.
- 16 | Anybody have any more questions? Ex-Officio? Do we
- 17 have a motion?

# 18 MR. GINTY:

- 19 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board adopt
- 20 the Report and Recommendation of the OHA regarding the
- 21 | Gaming Employee Permit of Ryan Hodder as described by
- 22 the OCC.

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- MR. MCCALL:
- 24 Second.
- 25 CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

2 ALL SAY AYE

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3 <u>CHAIRMAN:</u>

4 Opposed? Motion carries. Thank you, Mr.

5 | Hodder. You're excused.

A. Thank you.

## ATTORNEY COOK:

The next Report and Recommendation to be considered by the Board today pertains to Alexa Myers.

10 If Ms. Myers is present, I would ask her to come

11 | forward. Ms. Myers was issued a Non-Gaming

12 Registration on January 2nd, 2007 and was employed as

13 | a cocktail server at the Parx Casino. The BIE filed a

14 | complaint on February 6th, 2012 seeking revocation of

15 Ms. Myers' Non-Gaming Registration. Ms. Myers

16 | requested that a hearing be held regarding her

17 revocation. This matter was heard by the OHA on April

18 | 17th, 2012. Both the OEC and Ms. Myers appeared at

19 | that hearing and offered testimony and exhibits.

20 The evidence presented before the Hearing

21 Officer indicated that on November 23rd, 2011 Ms.

22 | Myers, who was working as a bartender at Foodies Food

23 | Court at the end of her shift as a cocktail waitress,

24 | was observed conducting two separate transactions

25 | where she placed money received from customers on top

of the register and moments later placed the cash into
her tip jar. Parx suspended Ms. Myers' employment on
November 26th, 2011 and she thereafter resigned on
November 30th, 2011.

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Ms. Myers essentially testified at the hearing that when she began bartending, there were several customers who were upset as no bartender had been on duty at the bar. Because Parx has a policy that wait staff may issue complimentary drinks to patrons who complain of poor service, she served three complimentary drinks to dissatisfied patrons and the cash she received from those patrons was, in fact, tip money. Evidence presented also showed that Ms. Myers placed bottle caps from the complimentary beverages being served on the cash register and later used those caps to record the complimentary drinks in the cash register. Ms. Myers also submitted additional evidence generally surrounding the circumstances she was dealing with that particular day and character evidence. Having heard all --- having heard and reviewed all of the evidence, the Hearing Officer issued a Report and Recommendation recommending that Ms. Myers' Non-Gaming Registration not to be revoked.

#### CHAIRMAN:

And again, the recommendation was the ---

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1	that the registration not be revoked?
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3	That is correct.
4	CHAIRMAN:
5	Ms. Myers I assume Ms. Myers; is that
6	correct?
7	MS. MYERS:
8	Yes. Yes.
9	CHAIRMAN:
10	Do you want to say something?
11	MS. MYERS:
12	No.
13	CHAIRMAN:
14	Okay.
15	OFF RECORD DISCUSSION
16	CHAIRMAN:
17	Questions or comments from the Board?
18	Ex-Officio Members?
19	MR. GINTY:
20	Does OEC have anything to?
21	ATTORNEY MILLER:
22	Yeah, after receiving the Report and
23	Recommendations from the Hearing Officer, we concur
24	with the Report and Recommendation.
25	CHAIRMAN:

Yeah, I do have one quick question. Ms. 1 2 Myers, you are currently not working in the casino 3 industry; is that correct? 4 MS. MYERS: That's correct. 5 6 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. 8 MR. GINTY: 9 I do have a comment. Ms. Myers, you've 10 put on the best cases I have seen. I suggest maybe 11 you may want to look at law school or legal 12 profession. You did an excellent job. 13 MS. MYERS: 14 Thank you. 15 CHAIRMAN: 16 Anyone else? May I have a motion? 17 MR. MCCALL: 18 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation of the OHA regarding the 19 20 Non-Gaming Employee Registration of Alexa Myers as 21 described by the OEC. 22 CHAIRMAN: 23 Second? 24 MR. MOSCATO: 25 Second.

# CHAIRMAN:

2 All in favor?

3 ALL SAY AYE

### CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? Motion carries. Thank you.

You're excused.

### MS. MYERS:

Thank you.

### ATTORNEY COOK:

Jabbar Wells is the last Report and Recommendation before the Board today. Mr. Wells was issued a Gaming Employee Permit on December 8th, 2009 and was employed as a Slot Technician at Parx Casino until he was terminated on January 3rd, 2012 for allegedly mishandling gaming vouchers obtained from slot machines he was working on. I would note for the record that Mr. Wells and I believe his Counsel are present.

As a result of these allegations, the OEC commenced an Enforcement Action. Mr. Wells, through his attorney filed an Answer in New Matter to the Enforcement Action, essentially alleging that Mr. Wells did not intend to defraud Parx and that he was never properly trained on Parx's policies and procedures for the disposal of vouchers.

Subsequently, a hearing in this matter 1 was held on March 27th, 2012 in which evidence was 2 3 presented that an investigation of Mr. Wells showed that he twice retrieved abandoned slot machine 4 vouchers totaling \$959.42, which he did not turn into 5 the cage cashier as per Parx policy. In fact, Mr. 6 7 Wells, on three occasions, placed abandoned vouchers into slot machines he was not working and immediately 8 dispensed a new voucher in the same amount or 9 consolidated two vouchers into one and had the 10 consolidated voucher discharged from the machine. 11 12 Parx Surveillance Department and the Pennsylvania State Police confronted Mr. Wells prior to the end of 13 his shift on the evening in question and he failed to 14 immediately surrender the voucher. He did after 15 subsequent discussion with the authorities and with 16 17 surveillance turn over the voucher that was I believe 18 placed behind his credential on this person. At the conclusion of the hearing before 19 our OHA, each of the parties filed Post-Hearing 20 21 Thereafter, the Hearing Officer issued a Briefs. 22 Report and Recommendation recommending that Mr. Wells' 23 Gaming Permit be revoked. Mr. Wells' Counsel has 24 filed Exceptions to the Report and Recommendation essentially arguing that Mr. Wells' behavior was 25

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consistent with other Parx slot techs, that the Parx
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    policy is unclear and that there is absolutely no
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    evidence that he intended to defraud the casino.
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    matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration.
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2 occurred. Mr. Wells was confronted with security some

3 time before the end of his shift. Mr. Wells'

4 testimony --- and he's here to answer any questions

5 | this Board may have. His actions were consistent with

6 the general working procedures of the employees at

7 | Parx. Parx had no written procedures for technicians

8 to follow in disposing of abandoned vouchers. Parx

9 had no training for the technicians on regarding how

to dispose of abandoned vouchers. Well, given the

11 | fact that there is no formal education, or

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12 dissemination of what the procedures were, there's

13 | absolutely no dissemination of what the consequences

14 | for the employees would be if they didn't follow set

15 procedures. That's really all I have to add.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Miller?

### ATTORNEY MILLER:

Chairman Ryan, we just concur with the findings of the Hearing Officer. The evidence we presented at the hearing we feel show objectively that Mr. Wells was trying to steal a voucher worth approximately \$960, and he was caught leaving the casino. So, you know, we presented a written policy

regarding the use of test money at the casino.

1 | Wells was clearly in violation of that policy. We

2 | don't see what Mr. Wells could have been doing

legitimately by taking these vouchers and

4 | consolidating them into one voucher, placing them

5 | behind his identification badge and walking off the

6 | Gaming Floor and ostensibly out of the building with

 $7 \mid$  it. And Mr. Wells admitted on the record that that

8 | was a live gaming voucher. That voucher could have

9 been redeemed by --- obviously, he said he couldn't

10 redeem it because he was an employee there, but any

11 | third party that he gave it to could have redeemed

12 that for \$960.

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## CHAIRMAN:

And as I understand it, these vouchers were put in another machine and then it could be argued laundered?

## ATTORNEY MILLER:

Yes, that's right. The vouchers --- he had three vouchers from three different machines, put them into another machine and totaled them up and then ejected a voucher immediately without performing any work on the machine and then took that single voucher and placed it behind his identification badge and walked out of the casino shortly thereafter --- or attempted to walk out of the casino shortly

thereafter. 1 2 ATTORNEY VALZ: 3 Okay. I have one thing I'd like to add. 4 CHAIRMAN: 5 Counselor? ATTORNEY VALZ: 6 7 Mr. Wells was not --- at the time of the 8 confrontation with security, it's my understanding he was not attempting to leave the casino. It was at 9 least --- I believe almost 20 minutes before the end 10 of his shift when that incident occurred with 11 12 security. He was confronted. Yeah, I take exception with the language that he was ostensibly or attempting 13 to leave the casino. He was off the casino floor at 14 the time of the confrontation, but he was not 15 attempting to leave the casino. 16 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 I understand that. 19 MR. FAJT: 20 A couple questions. 21 CHAIRMAN: Go ahead. 22 23 MR. FAJT: 24 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Miller,

there seems to be a discrepancy between you and

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Counsel for Mr. Wells on whether there was training and a policy. I heard Counsel say that there was no training and no policy. I heard you say that there was a written policy, so I want to get to the bottom of that. Is there a written policy?

# ATTORNEY MILLER:

regarding the use of test money at the casino. And I also had a witness there, Dave Norcott, the surveillance director, who testified regarding the policy used by the slot technicians. And Mr. Norcott is the head of --- is the director of surveillance at Parx Casino, and they were doing a review of the whole slot technician department. And I asked him, did you --- did your department have to become familiar with the policies and procedures of the slot tech department in order to do a review of that department? And he testified, yes, he was. And then he testified regarding the policy, regarding abandoned vouchers for slot technicians.

### MR. FAJT:

And I'm sorry. What about the training aspect of it, was there any --- and I apologize. In your answer, I don't know if you said if there was actual training of the slot technicians in addition to

1 | the policy. I mean, look, you and I both know they

2 | have a policy. We have policies at Gaming Control

3 Board. I'm sure if somebody asked me the minutia of

4 one of those policies, I would be --- you know,

5 | there's no way I would know what the minutia is. I

6 | would suspect you're in the same boat. Was there

7 | training of these employees on how to handle abandoned

vouchers in your record?

### ATTORNEY MILLER:

I can't recall if that was in there or

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### MR. FAJT:

Counselor, what say you?

# ATTORNEY VALZ:

On page five of my exceptions and on the

16 | transcript, page 11, the was the question of Mr.

17 Norcott, the director of surveillance at Parx, and he

18 made a point of saying that every time that his --- it

19 was his understanding of what the procedures were. As

20 director of surveillance, he wasn't that involved with

21 | the procedures or their dissemination to employees.

22 He had no knowledge of whether Parx employees were

trained in the procedures and he also said that he

24 | never saw a written, say, employee handbook or rule

25 | book of said procedures which would be available to

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## MR. FAJT:

3 My last question, Counselor, is to you. One of the things that was troubling to the Board, 4 5 specifically to me, was this --- and this is my term, but the laundering of these vouchers, so that he would 6 7 take one or two, put them back in a machine and get 8 one, move on to another machine, get another one, put those two in and get one. What is your client's 9 explanation as to why he was doing that? 10 That caused 11 us concern.

## ATTORNEY VALZ:

I can give you a summary, but that might be something he would best address directly.

#### MR. FAJT:

Thank you.

## ATTORNEY VALZ:

But my summary, the employees --- the less bureaucratic way of getting a test voucher would be to use an abandoned voucher and to test machines which have been worked on or which had previously been worked on to see if they were functioning properly. And Mr. Wells in his testimony also described fairly lax work standards at Parx Casino where abandoned vouchers with some value were sitting around the

54 worktables and the workbenches in the backroom 1 2 frequently. 3 CHAIRMAN: Well, why don't we let Mr. Wells tells 4 5 us ---? Excuse me. He's going to have to go under oath. Do you understand that, Counselor? 6 7 ATTORNEY VALZ: 8 I certainly do. 9 CHAIRMAN: All right, sir. Do you want to state 10 11 your name for the record and spell your last name? 12 MR. WELLS: Jabbar Wells, W-E-L-L-S. 13 14 15 JABBAR WELLS, HAVING FIRST BEEN DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS: 16 17 18 MR. FAJT: 19 Mr. Wells, again, a very specific 20 question. What was your mindset and why were you 21 taking two to three vouchers at a time, putting them in a machine and then taking one voucher out? 22 23 Okay. So the games that I was working on with 24 vouchers, these were games that had problems taking 25 money and giving money out, so a lot of the times what

1 | we would do is just have a voucher --- we had a

2 | voucher on us and we wanted to check a game we worked

on a day or two before just to make sure it's still

taking money and giving money out. It would be easier

for us if we just had a voucher on us to just put it

6 | in the game, okay, the game took the voucher, I can

7 | just cash it out. As far as combining them, really it

8 | was just so I didn't have to carry around a whole

bunch of vouchers in my pocket. It wasn't ---.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Excuse me. So you wouldn't have a whole

12 bunch of vouchers in your pocket?

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13 A. Yeah. It was just so that I wasn't carrying

around --- because there's --- people leave vouchers

15 throughout the casino a lot, all the time, and you

16 know, we'd always pick them up and that was like an

17 easier way for us to actually test machines, machines

18 that maybe something was wrong with the printer or

19 | something was wrong with, you know, not printing out

20 | correctly or something as far as that.

# MR. FAJT:

Follow-up question, Mr. Wells. And Mr.

23 | I'll get to you in a second, Mr. Miller. Had you ever

24 | done this before, where you've put numerous vouchers

25 in a machine and got one out?

1 A. Yeah. The other techs --- I learned it from the
2 other techs.

## MR. FAJT:

Thank you. Mr. Miller, was there any evidence or any investigation done as to whether Mr. Wells had done this conduct before, and in fact, turned the voucher in before he left the casino property?

## ATTORNEY MILLER:

No, there is no other --- the only thing, like I said, is that the surveillance department was doing an investigation of the whole slot tech department, and Mr. Wells was the only one referred to our office.

#### MR. FAJT:

So during your investigation there was no discussion or no evidence from anybody that this was, in fact, a policy and maybe a de facto policy of the technicians where they put vouchers in, took one out and then cashed it in or turned it in before they left the premises, you have no evidence of that happening and you have no evidence that it didn't happen?

#### ATTORNEY MILLER:

No, I don't.

### CHAIRMAN:

But as I understand it, when confronted by the authorities before leaving and asked about the vouchers, he at first denied he had them; is that correct?

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That's correct. I believe at one point he indicated that they were in his --- he indicated that the voucher was in his locker, and then the surveillance director told Mr. Wells that the --- his locker would be searched. And then shortly thereafter he produced the voucher from behind his identification badge. A. No, that's not what happened. I told them I didn't know exactly where it was. A lot of times we leave vouchers like laying around the tables at the tech shop, so I said it might be there on the table or it might be in my locker, either or. I was like pulling something out of my pockets, and then that's when I --- sometimes we stick them behind our badge. And then that's when I pulled it out and gave it to them. I didn't ---.

# MR. SOJKA:

I'm curious. You mentioned your pocket. You were wearing a shirt, I assume, when you were doing this?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 MR. SOJKA:
- 3 Did it have a pocket?
- 4 A. Yeah, I have --- it's like a zipper up shirt, and
- 5 | it has like two pockets and then like two ---.
- 6 MR. SOJKA:
- 7 Would it be expected that then if you
- 8 | just take this voucher and you're intending to turn it
- 9 | in, that you would take it and stick it in your
- 10 | pocket?
- 11 A. I carry screwdrivers and stuff like that, so ---.
- MR. SOJKA:
- So you didn't want to put it in your
- 14 | pocket?
- 15 A. Well, I don't want to --- we don't want to rip
- 16 | them up, you know, like --- you know, you have tools
- 17 and stuff in your pockets.
- MR. SOJKA:
- 19 Did it fit in total behind your
- 20 | credential, or did you have to fold?
- 21 A. Yeah, you just fold it up.
- MR. SOJKA:
- 23 So you actively folded the voucher, took
- 24 | it and put it behind your credential?
- 25 A. Yes, that's what all the techs do. We just fold

1 | them and ---.

## 2 MR. SOJKA:

To do that to do what, to just hold the

- 4 | voucher so they're ---?
- 5 A. Yeah, just to keep it separate from other stuff
- 6 | that I had in my pocket.

# MR. SOJKA:

- 8 And having done that, having actively
- 9 | folded the voucher, put it behind your thing, when
- 10 | asked by the supervisor where's the voucher, you
- 11 | didn't remember doing that?
- 12 A. Honestly, I was a little freaked out when the guy
- 13 came to me, and you know, I ---.

## MR. SOJKA:

- 15 But you thought you might have put it
- 16 in ---?

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- 17 A. I might have, yeah, because like I said we have a
- 18 lot of vouchers. So I told them it might be in my
- 19 | locker. It might be in the tech shop, and you know,
- 20 | it might have been laying around somewhere. And we
- 21 | were talking for a couple of minutes, and then I was
- 22 like, oh.

## MR. SOJKA:

- 24 In the past it was your practice then, if
- 25 | you had vouchers lying around in your office and in

- 1 | your locker, you would just gather them all up and
- 2 | turn them in?

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- 3 A. Sometimes. Sometimes they would just lay there.
- 4 Sometimes we would just tear them up and throw them
- 5 away. You know, there would be vouchers laying there
- 6 for months sometimes.

# MR. GINTY:

8 Yeah, I have a --- I think one of the

9 things that Mr. Fajt mentioned that concerned us was

10 | this combination of vouchers, and you know, what I'm

11 hearing the gentleman say is that, you know, this was

12 | a normal course of activity, and you know I ---. Was

13 any of that addressed in the hearing as to whether

14 | this was a normal process that the techs did?

#### ATTORNEY MILLER:

16 | Well, like I had said, the --- you know,

17 | the surveillance department had done this

18 | investigation and Mr. Wells was the only individual

19 referred to us in this matter. And I presented the

20 | policy regarding the test --- the use of test money,

21 | so it was deviated significantly from the procedure

22 Mr. Wells used.

#### MR. GINTY:

24 It seems to me you may have had the wrong

25 | witness. I mean, you know, I would have liked to have

1 | had his boss there to say, no, you know, one of the

2 guys do this, you know, this is unacceptable. But he

B | had this --- you didn't have that type of witness, so

4 | you know, the only evidence that we have as to whether

5 | --- what kind of process this was, was this

6 | gentleman's testimony. You have nothing to rebut it;

is that true?

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### ATTORNEY MILLER:

Just what I put into the record.

#### MR. GINTY:

Which doesn't rebut what he says was a normal course of activity for other techs. Well, to me that's an important part of the case here.

### ATTORNEY MILLER:

Well, he said --- he did testify that sometimes he followed the procedure and sometimes he didn't. And he knew what the procedure was.

#### MR. GINTY:

I can't recall what he said during the hearing, but what he said now is that, you know, a number of techs, that he's not the only one that did this. And as a matter of fact, I believe he said today, you know, that he learned from other techs.

#### ATTORNEY PINTRE:

Might I offer, since there seems to be

new evidence being presented to the Board, that it might be in the interest of the Board to remand the matter back to OHA to collect evidence with regard to what he was trained on and to ensure that we get this matter correct.

## MR. SOJKA:

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I would make such a motion to remand.

## MR. TRUJILLO:

It'd second it, but I do have a couple quick questions, I'm sorry. Was he charged with any crime?

## ATTORNEY MILLER:

No, he was not charged with a criminal offense.

#### MR. TRUJILLO:

And Mr. Wells, did you at any time deny that you had the voucher at some --- not necessarily on your body, but that you had it, did you ever deny that?

20 A. No, I never denied it.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

22 And I would second that motion.

#### MR. GINTY:

One modification, if I might. You know, this is something that probably the lawyers talk in

1 terms of --- what do you call it when you can agree on
2 a ---?

## ATTORNEY MILLER:

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## MR. GINTY:

Stipulation. You know, attorneys are expensive and, you know, go through a whole ---. So I mean, I would just urge you. I can't obviously, you know, require that. But I would urge you to talk to people and, you know, if you can come to some stipulation ---.

## ATTORNEY PITRE:

I can assure you, Commissioner Ginty, if he was not trained and we cannot produce anything to show that he was trained on this or that there's not a policy in place, then we'd be more concerned with making sure Parx did what it was supposed to do as opposed to going after Mr. Wells unnecessarily.

### MR. FAJT:

I will echo Mr. Ginty's comments about the legal fees, too.

# CHAIRMAN:

Tony?

#### MR. MOSCATO:

Yes. Well, I got just two questions, I

- 1 guess. One clarification just to refresh my memory.
- 2 You're not currently employed by Parx?
- 3 A. No, not by Parx, another --- well, I was, but
- 4 another employer, but not them

### ATTORNEY VALZ:

- 6 He's unable to work in the gaming
- 7 | industry right now. He has a job waiting for him with
- 8 a company. That's one of the exhibits I had to our
- 9 Answer. But he was hired by a company. They had to
- 10 let him go because of the status of this matter. He
- 11 | will be ---.

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- MR. MOSCATO:
- It's a gaming related company?
- 14 ATTORNEY VALZ:
- 15 | Correct. Basically a service ---.
- 16 ATTORNEY COOK:
- I believe it's a manufacturer.
- 18 A. It's a manufacturer.
- 19 ATTORNEY VALZ:
- 20 A manufacturer, correct.
- MR. MOSCATO:
- 22 | Second question. You stated that it's
- 23 been past practice of other techs to have these
- 24 | vouchers to test machines that they've worked on. Is
- 25 | it common for the vouchers to be in this large amount

1 or is it normally a dollar amount and a half or a few

2 bucks?

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A. Oh, no, there's vouchers way more than that. I

4 mean, they vary. I've seen them all over.

### MR. MOSCATO:

Okay. Thank you.

#### MR. MCCALL:

I have a follow-up on that. And I think that's the problem that I have, is that there's all these vouchers out there that are live vouchers that can be for --- anywhere from \$5 to \$900. And that's a lot of money. That's a lot of temptation. don't know if I would offer this more to the casinos than I would to employees or to our department, is that, you know, I would submit that there should be some form of a test voucher that it may be --- only be a dollar that you use to test those machines. would say that to the casinos. I mean, that's troubling that you're saying that there's all these vouchers laying around. That's a lot of money. that's where the temptation is, and I think that's where our concern is, that there's all this temptation with that money, because \$900 is a lot of money. And if it's live, it's maybe hard to believe that you're just, you know, oh, I forgot I had it in my pocket.

think I'd give you the benefit of the doubt at this

point from the evidence that I've heard, but I think I

would admonish the casinos that if they're going to do

this process with technicians, that there should be

some test voucher as opposed to a live voucher that

you're using in the working on these casino --- on

these machines.

### ATTORNEY PITRE:

In that respect, Commissioner McCall, I agree totally with you. We have not received any reports from casino compliance with regard to problems with test vouchers of this nature, so it's something I'm going to look into a lot more closely.

## MR. MCCALL:

Certainly.

### ATTORNEY PITRE:

In addition to that, we're going to ensure that the internal controls are tightened to ensure that --- make sure that, you know, what he's saying is occurring is not occurring. So I'm deeply concerned by his statements today, so we will be looking into it.

### MR. TRUJILLO:

And Mr. Chairman, if I might, if Mr. Ginty would withdraw his motion ---?

the Board. Before the Board today will be motions 1 2 regarding 769 Principal Key Gaming and Non-Gaming 3 Employees. In addition, there will be the consideration of 16 Gaming Service Provider 4 5 Applicants. The first matter for your consideration is the approval of Principal and Key Employee 6 7 Licenses. Prior to this meeting, the Bureau of 8 Licensing provided you with a proposed order for six Principal and three Key Employee Licenses for Category 9 1, Category 2 manufacturer and supplier licensees. 10 11 ask that the Board consider the Order approving these 12 licenses. 13 CHAIRMAN: Any comments from Enforcement Counsel? 14 15 ATTORNEY PITRE: 16 Enforcement Counsel has no objection. 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 Ouestions or comments from the Board? Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 19 20 MR. SOJKA: Yes, Chairman. I'll move that the Board 21 22 approve the issuance of Principal and Key Employee Licenses described by the Bureau of Licensing. 23 24 CHAIRMAN: 25 Second?

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1	MR. TRUJILLO:
2	Second.
3	CHAIRMAN:
4	All in favor?
5	ALL SAY AYE
6	CHAIRMAN:
7	Opposed? The motion carries.
8	MS. HENSEL:
9	Also for your consideration are Temporary
10	Principal and Key Employee Licenses. Prior to this
11	meeting, the Bureau of Licensing provided you with an
12	Order regarding the issuance of Temporary Licenses for
13	one Principal and 15 Key Employees. I asked that the
14	Board consider the Order approving the licenses.
15	CHAIRMAN:
16	Any comments from the Enforcement
17	Counsel?
18	ATTORNEY PITRE:
19	Enforcement Counsel has no objection.
20	CHAIRMAN:
21	Questions or comments from the Board?
22	Ex-Officio Members? All right. Do I have a motion?
23	MR. TRUJILLO:
24	Chairman, I move the Board approve the
25	issuance of Temporary Principal and Key Employee

MR. FAJT:

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Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board 1 2 approve the issuance of Gaming Employee Permits and 3 Non-Gaming Employee Registrations as described by the Bureau of Licensing. 4 MR. GINTY: Second. 6 CHAIRMAN: 8 All in favor? ALL SAY AYE 9 10 CHAIRMAN: Opposed? The motion carries. 11 12 MS. HENSEL: 13 In addition, we have Recommendations of Denial for two Gaming and two Non-Gaming Employee 14 Prior to this meeting the Bureau of 15 Applicants. 16 Licensing provided you with Orders addressing these 17 applicants who the OEC has recommended for denial. Ιn 18 each case, the applicant failed to request a hearing within the specified time period. I ask that the 19 20 Board consider the Orders denying the Gaming and 21 Non-Gaming Employee Applicants. 22 CHAIRMAN: 23 Any comments from Enforcement Counsel? 24 ATTORNEY PITRE: 25 Enforcement Counsel would request denial

1 in each instance.

2 <u>CHAIRMAN:</u>

3 Questions or comments from the Board?

4 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?

MR. GINTY:

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board

approve the denial of Gaming and Non-Gaming Employee

Applications as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

MR. MCCALL:

Second.

CHAIRMAN:

12 All in favor?

13 ALL SAY AYE

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CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? The motion carries.

MS. HENSEL:

We also have for your consideration
Withdrawal Requests for Key Employee, Gaming Employee
and Non-Gaming Employees. In each case the license,
permit or registration is no longer required due to
such circumstances as the employee failing to report
for work. For today's meeting I provided the Board
with a lists of two Key, 23 Gaming and 6 Non-Gaming
Employee Withdrawals for approval. I ask that the
Board consider the Orders approving the list of

1	73 withdrawals.
2	CHAIRMAN:
3	Any comments from Enforcement Counsel?
4	ATTORNEY PITRE:
5	Enforcement Counsel has no objection.
6	<pre>CHAIRMAN:</pre>
7	Questions or comments from the Board?
8	Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?
9	MR. MCCALL:
10	Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board
11	approve the Withdrawals as described by the Bureau of
12	Licensing.
13	CHAIRMAN:
14	Second?
15	MR. MOSCATO:
16	Second.
17	CHAIRMAN:
18	All those in favor?
19	ALL SAY AYE
20	CHAIRMAN:
21	Opposed? The motion carries.
22	MS. HENSEL:
23	In addition, we have an Order to certify
24	the Gaming Service Provider Kagan Custom Kitchens,
25	Inc. I ask that the Board consider the Order

1	74 approving this Gaming Service Provider for
2	certification.
3	CHAIRMAN:
4	Comments from Enforcement Counsel?
5	ATTORNEY PITRE:
6	Enforcement Counsel has no objection.
7	CHAIRMAN:
8	Any questions or comments from the Board?
9	Do I have a motion?
10	MR. MOSCATO:
11	Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue
12	an Order to approve the applications for Gaming
13	Service Provider Certification as described by Bureau
14	of Licensing.
15	MR. SOJKA:
16	Second.
17	<pre>CHAIRMAN:</pre>
18	All in favor?
19	ALL SAY AYE
20	<pre>CHAIRMAN:</pre>
21	Opposed? The motion carries.
22	MS. HENSEL:
23	Next, we have an Order regarding Gaming
24	Service Provider Registrations. The Bureau of
25	Licensing provided you with an Order and an attached a

75 list of 13 registered Gaming Service Providers. 1 Ι would ask that the Board consider approving the Order 2 3 registering these Gaming Service Providers. 4 CHAIRMAN: 5 Any comments from the Enforcement 6 Counsel? ATTORNEY PITRE: 8 Enforcement Counsel has no objection. 9 CHAIRMAN: Ouestions or comments from the Board? 10 11 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 12 MR. SOJKA: 13 Yeah. Mr. Chairman, I'll move that the Board issue an Order to approve the applications for 14 Gaming Service Provider Registration as described by 15 the Bureau of Licensing. 16 17 MR. TRUJILLO: 18 Second. 19 CHAIRMAN: 20 All in favor? ALL SAY AYE 21 22 CHAIRMAN: Opposed? The motion carries. 23 24 MS. HENSEL: 25 The Bureau of Licensing also provided you

with an Order regarding Gaming Service Provider 1 2 Autovalet Systems USA, LLC that is recommended for the 3 Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List. This company conducted business with slot machine licenses, but 4 5 failed to complete the application process. Once added to the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List, 6 7 no slot machine licensee can do business with the 8 company. I ask that the Board consider the Order adding Autovalet Systems USA, LLC to the Prohibited 9 Gaming Service Provider List. 10 11 CHAIRMAN: 12 Any comments from the Enforcement 13 Counsel? 14 ATTORNEY PITRE: 15 Enforcement Counsel has no objection. 16 CHAIRMAN: 17 Ouestions or comments from the Board? 18 MR. FAJT: 19 I have one. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. 20 Susan, I remember this name before. We've had issues 21 with them in the past. I mean, it's an unusual name, 22 and something in the back of my mind recalls that 23 these guys have come before the agency in the past.

MS. HENSEL:

Do you have a recollection of that?

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1 This application has been around for 2 awhile. They are a company that entered into a 3 payment plan with the Board. I don't recall that they have come before the Board as a Prohibited Gaming 4 Service Provider in the past. 5 6 MR. FAJT: 7 Okay. Thank you. 8 CHAIRMAN: 9 Okay. May I have a motion? 10 MR. TRUJILLO: 11 Mr. Chairman, I move the Board issue an Order to approve the addition of Autovalet Systems 12 13 USA, LLC to the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider 14 List. 15 MR. FAJT: 16 Second. 17 CHAIRMAN: 18 All in favor? ALL SAY AYE 19 20 CHAIRMAN: 21 Opposed? The motion carries. 22 MS. HENSEL: 23 Finally, a Gaming Service Provider Application for Sealect Wholesale Seafood, Inc. as 24 25 being recommended for abandonment. This company filed

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    I ask that the Board consider the Order declaring
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                  ATTORNEY PITRE:
                  We have no objection.
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    Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?
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                  MR. FAJT:
                  Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue
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    an Order to approve the abandonment of Sealect
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    Wholesale Seafood, Inc.'s Gaming Service Provider
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#### CHAIRMAN:

Thank you, Susan. Next will be Cyrus
Pitre, Chief Enforcement Counsel.

## ATTORNEY PITRE:

We have 11 matters for the Board's consideration today. Two of those matters are Consent Agreements, six revocations and three exclusion requests. The first matter is a --- the consideration of the Consent Agreement between our office and Mountainview Thoroughbred Racing Association, also known as Penn National Hollywood Casino. I see Mr. Quigley is present. Ms. Alexandra Sacavage will present the matter for the Office of Enforcement Counsel.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Sacavage.

# ATTORNEY SACAVAGE:

Good afternoon, Chairman Ryan. My last name is, S-A-C-A-V-A-G-E, OEC. We have today for the Board's consideration a Consent Agreement between the OEC and Mountainview Thoroughbred Association a/k/a Hollywood Casino. The agreement involves a March 23rd, 2012 incident where an individual in the

1 | Statewide Self-Exclusion List entered the casino,

2 engaged in slot machine and table games play for

approximately nine hours. Additionally, the

4 | individual cashed a \$200 personal check at the cage.

5 This was despite a database check being performed,

6 which indicated that he was currently on the self-

7 exclusion list. He was still able to do this because

8 | a cage cashier supervisor approved it, because the

individual told him that his presence on the exclusion

10 list was an error.

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The individual later attempted to cash a second check at the cage, and the supervisor on duty at that time alerted security. Security confiscated about \$25 in chips from him, and that supervisor that I mentioned before was separated from employment. We've agreed that Mountainview will pay a civil

penalty of \$5,000. And if approved, this will be the

first fine for them pertaining to a self-exclusion

violation. We ask that the Board approve the Consent

Agreement. And we'd be happy to answer any questions

21 the Board has.

## CHAIRMAN:

Any comments from Mountainview?

#### MR. QUIGLEY:

No. Mr. Chairman, Board Members, this is

81 clearly a breakdown of that individual supervisor. 1 There is no excuse. We want you to know, as I believe 2 3 you do know, that we take this as a very serious 4 And there was no question whether to terminate the services of the supervisor. It was a breakdown. 6 CHAIRMAN: 7 Counselor, just for the record why don't 8 you put your name and spell your last name? 9 MR. QUIGLEY: 10 Sure. My name is Frank Quigley, 11 Q-U-I-G-L-E-Y. 12 CHAIRMAN: And your position, sir, once again? 13 14 MR. QUIGLEY: 15 My position is Vice President and General 16 Manager of Hollywood Casino at Penn National 17 Racetrack. 18 CHAIRMAN: 19 Any questions or comments from the Board? 20 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 21 MR. GINTY: 22 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue 23 an Order to approve the Consent Agreement between the 24 OEC and Mountainview Thoroughbred Racing Association

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as described by the OEC.

Thank you, Chairman Ryan and Members of 1 I'm Katie Higgins, H-I-G-G-I-N-S, 2 the Board. 3 Assistant Enforcement Counsel. We have today for the Board's consideration a Consent Agreement between the 4 5 OEC and Paul DeAngelo. In January of 2011, Mr. DeAngelo was present at Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs 6 7 with his 20-year-old son for approximately three and a 8 half hours during which time they played slot machines and several hands of black jack together. Mr. DeAngelo 9 can be seen on surveillance giving his son cash and 10 11 chips in order for his son to place bets. 12 Mr. DeAngelo's son was cited by the Pennsylvania State Police with a summary offense of 13 underage gaming, which he pled guilty to. 14 filed petitions to place both Mr. DeAngelo and his son 15 16 on the Board's Exclusion List. On March 1st, 2012 the 17 Board issued an Order approving a Consent Agreement 18 entered into by the OEC and the younger DeAngelo. And at this time before the Board is a similar Consent 19 20 Agreement which Mr. DeAngelo, the father, wishes to 21 enter into. 22 By entering into the Consent Agreement,

Mr. DeAngelo has agreed to be placed on the Board's

Exclusion List for a minimum period of one year from

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the agreement, Mr. DeAngelo will be barred from 1 2 petitioning for removal from the Exclusion List or 3 requesting a hearing on the matter before one year from the date of his placement on the list has expired 4 and will remain on the list until the Board takes 5 further action. 6 7 Also, pursuant to the agreement, for 8 business purposes, Mr. DeAngelo will be permitted to 9 utilize various restaurants at Mohegan Sun that are located off the Gaming Floor. These restaurants are 10 11 specifically set forth in the Consent Agreement. At this time, the OEC asks that the Board approve the 12 13 Consent Agreement. 14 CHAIRMAN: Ouestions or comments from the Board? 15 16 Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion? 17 MR. MCCALL: 18 Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue 19 an Order approving the Consent Agreement between the 20 OEC and Paul DeAngelo as described by the OEC. 21 CHAIRMAN: Second? 22 23 MR. MOSCATO: 24 Second.

CHAIRMAN:

85 All in favor? 1 2 ALL SAY AYE 3 CHAIRMAN: Opposed? Motion carries. 4 5 ATTORNEY HIGGINS: Thank you. 6 CHAIRMAN: 8 Thank you. Next we have Suspensions and 9 Revocations. 10 ATTORNEY PITRE: That's correct. And these will be 11 12 handled by Ms. Beth 13 CHAIRMAN: 14 Ms. Manifesto. 15 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: 16 Good morning. Chairman Ryan, I have the 17 next several, so I'll start with Cory Alexander. 18 the last name is Manifesto, M-A-N-I-F-E-S-T-O. And briefly on December 23rd of 2011, the OEC filed a 19 20 Complaint for Revocation for Mr. Alexander's gaming 21 permit due to his failure to maintain suitability. His actions committed which rendered him unsuitable 22 23 for licensure consisted mainly of his accepting a 24 total of \$4,800 in tips from two patrons who had won a

backbeat jackpot, and also removing approximately

\$1,000 from his toke box prior to presenting it to be 1 So essentially he failed to declare about 2 3 \$5,800 in tips as his income and instead only declared This all occurred on April 29th of this 4 year. When interviewed by the Rivers, he was alleged 5 to have admitted to improper tip reporting. 6 7 complaints and notice of hearing rights was mailed via 8 first class and certified mail on September 23rd of 2012 --- I'm sorry, of 2011, and this occurred, I gave 9 you the wrong date, April 29th, 2011, to the address 10 11 he provided and maintained on SLOTSlink. 12 Alexander failed to respond to the complaint within 30 days as required, and therefore, the assertions within 13 the complaint are deemed admitted. A request for 14 default judgment was filed by the OEC on June 14th of 15 16 this year and the document was mailed to the address 17 listed by Mr. Alexander again in SLOTSlink. 18 not been returned to PGCB, and we now request the Board revoke his Gaming Permit. 19 20 CHAIRMAN: Is Cory Alexander in the hearing room? 21 Any questions or comments from the Board? 22 23 MR. TRUJILLO:

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Mr. Chairman, I have one. What's the

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2	ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:
3	His tip income, yes.
4	MR. TRUJILLO:
5	I'm sorry?
6	ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:
7	His failure to report accurately his tip
8	income.
9	MR. TRUJILLO:
10	So it's inaccurate reporting of tip
11	income is the violation?
12	ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:
13	Yes, by approximately \$5,800.
14	CHAIRMAN:
15	May I have a motion?
16	MR. MOSCATO:
17	Yes, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board
18	issue an Order to approve the Revocation of Cory
19	Alexander's Gaming Employee Permit as described by the
20	OEC.
21	MR. SOJKA:
22	Second.
23	CHAIRMAN:
24	All in favor?
25	ALL SAY AYE

#### CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? Motion carries.

#### ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:

The next matter is Mr. Warren Bryant.

Briefly, on September 26th of 2011 the OEC filed a complaint for revocation of his Non-Gaming Permit due to his failure to maintain suitability. The complaint was filed due to a review of Mr. Bryant's handling of tips, which was undertaken due to complaints made by coworkers to supervisors. The surveillance reports detailed Mr. Bryant's pocketing tips and faking money drops to the toke box. OEC also reviewed the DVD of this behavior and saw him committing these actions.

Mr. Bryant allegedly admitted this to the Rivers investigating --- investigator during an interview. That investigator is Mr. Jerry Binney.

Mr. Bryant failed to respond to OEC's complaint within 30 days as required, and as he received notice, consequently the assertions are deemed admitted. His right to a hearing has then been forfeited. A request for the default judgment was filed on June 14th of this year. The document was mailed on the same date to the address that Warren Bryant listed and maintained with PGCB. This mail has not been

returned. We now request that the Board order Mr.

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                  MR. SOJKA:
                  Yes, Mr. Chairman. I'll move that the
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    Board issue an Order to approve the revocation of
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    Warren Bryant's Non-Gaming Employee Registration as
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The next matter is in regard to Ms. Jean 1 2 Gerrity, G-E-R-R-I-T-Y. On June 14th of 2012 OEC 3 filed a complaint for revocation of her Gaming Permit due to her failure to maintain suitability. 4 5 complaint was filed after OEC viewed video footage showing Ms. Gerrity removing \$200 from her cage 6 7 cashier drawer and placing it in her pocket. Ms. 8 Gerrity failed to respond to the complaint within 30 days as required, and therefore, the assertions within 9 the complaint are deemed admitted and her right to a 10 11 hearing has been waived. The request for default 12 judgement filed on June 14th of 2012 to the address 13 she maintained in SLOTSlink. This mail has not been 14 returned. We now request that the Board revoke Ms. Gerrity's Gaming Permit. 15

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Is Jean Gerrity in the hearing room? Any questions or comments from the Board?

#### MR. TRUJILLO:

I have one question for Mr. Pitre. In the event that we enter --- and as we often, in default judgments such as this, if there was, in fact, some --- somebody had a medical issue or something else that they didn't get notice, is there a procedure for them to reopen or seek reconsideration of our

complaint for revocation regarding Mr. Golebiewski's

Gaming Permit due to his failure to maintain suitability. In this instance, a coworker observed and reported that Golebiewski was improperly handling toke bet wagers. And surveillance footage showed Mr. Golebiewski did not place winning tokes in his toke box, but rather left them on a table for the next hand of play, and occasionally only placed winnings in the toke box. There was also a specific occasion wherein he left the original toke bet on the table and then also placed his toke on the table for the next round 

Mr. Golebiewski failed to respond to the complaint within 30 days as required by the Notice of Hearing Rights, and consequently the assertions are deemed admitted and his right to a hearing has been forfeited. A request for default judgment was filed by OEC on June 14th of this year and sent to the address listed by Mr. Golebiewski with the PCGB and SLOTSlink. This mail has not been returned. We now request that the Board revoke Mr. Golebiewski's Gaming Permit.

## CHAIRMAN:

of play.

Is Marek Golebiewski in the hearing room?

Any questions or comments from the Board?

## MR. SOJKA:

Just one. Is the sole concern that he 1 2 parlayed those toke bets? 3 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: That he himself placed one of the bets 4 5 using a --- he left the original toke bet and then he 6 took the winning and placed a bet himself while ---. 7 MR. SOJKA: 8 I see. So he was literally playing in 9 his own game? 10 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: 11 Yes. 12 MR. SOJKA: 13 Thank you. 14 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: Yes. 15 16 CHAIRMAN: 17 May I have a motion? 18 MR. FAJT: Yes. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board 19 20 issue an Order to approve the revocation of Marek 21 Golebiewski's Gaming Employee Permit as described by the OEC. 22 23 MR. GINTY: 24 Second. 25 CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

2 ALL SAY AYE

#### CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? Motion carries.

#### ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:

Next we have Lauren Harms, H-A-R-M-S. In this case, on March 22nd of 2012 OEC filed a complaint for revocation, again, due to her failure to maintain suitability of her Gaming Permit. Ms. Harms was arrested for one case of possession of a controlled substance and five cases regarding retail theft and criminal conspiracy. One case was charged as a Felony III. She did not disclose any of these arrests to the PGCB. When the OEC sent a letter urging her to do so, she failed to do so.

Additionally, she has now pled guilty in Washington County on June 21st for Misdemeanor I retail theft and conspiracy. On May 14th she had a judicial conference in Allegheny County, and at that time she agreed to enter a plea using the Phoenix Court System to dispose of the other five cases. That is set to happen on August 21st of this year. Ms. Harms failed to respond to any of OEC's complaint or the request for judgment, as well as the request that she go to the SLOTSlink and amend and put in her

95 As a result, all of the allegations set 1 arrests. forth in the complaint are being admitted. Her right 2 3 to a hearing has been forfeited. We now request that the Board revoke her Gaming Permit. 4 5 CHAIRMAN: Is Lauren Harms in the hearing room? 6 Any 7 questions or comments from the Board? Ex-Officio 8 Members? May I have a motion? 9 MR. GINTY: Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue 10 11 an Order to approve the revocation of Lauren Harms' 12 Gaming Employee Permit as described by the OEC. 13 MR. MCCALL: Second. 14 15 CHAIRMAN: 16 All in favor? 17 ALL SAY AYE 18 CHAIRMAN: 19 Opposed? Motion carries. 20 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: 21 The next matter is Paul Kruger, 22 K-R-U-G-E-R. On March 22nd of this year, the OEC 23 filed a complaint for revocation and a Notice of 24 Hearing Rights was sent to Mr. Kruger regarding his 25 Non-Gaming Permit due to a failure to maintain

- 1 suitability. The complaint was filed based on
- 2 | multiple complaints to supervisors by coworkers
- 3 stating Mr. Kruger was receiving and keeping tokes in
- 4 his capacity as a valet and did not drop his tokes or
- 5 he pretended to drop money into the toke box.
- 6 | Surveillance observed this behavior and OEC also
- 7 | watched this on the DVD of the surveillance footage.
- 8 This occurred mainly throughout his shifts on January
- 9 4th, 5th and 6th of this year. He also admitted to
- 10 improperly taking approximately \$400 when he was
- 11 interviewed by Rivers Casino. He was terminated by
- 12 Rivers on January 25th of this year.
- Mr. Kruger failed to respond to the
- 14 | complaint filed by OEC within 30 days as required.
- 15 | Consequently the statements in the complaint are
- 16 deemed admitted and his right to a hearing has been
- 17 | waived. The request for default judgment was filed on
- 18 June 14th of 2012, mailed to the address maintained by
- 19 Mr. Kruger within SLOTSlink via first class mail.
- 20 | This item has not been returned to the OEC. We now
- 21 request that his Non-Gaming Permit be revoked.

## CHAIRMAN:

- 23 | Is Paul Kruger in the hearing room?
- 24 | Comments or questions from the Board? Ex-Officio
- 25 | Chair Members? May I have a motion?

#### MR. MCCALL:

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue an Order to approve the revocation of Paul Kruger's Non-Gaming Employee Registration as described by the OEC.

CHAIRMAN:

Second?

8 MR. MOSCATO:

9 Second.

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11 All in favor?

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14 Opposed? Motion carries.

ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:

16 Lastly, I have Matthew Jackson. On April

17 4th of 2011, the OEC filed a Petition to place Mr.

18 Jackson on the Board's Excluded Person List due to his

19 passing of counterfeit \$20 bills at the Rivers Casino.

20 | The Petition was filed to address specifically five

21 | counterfeit \$20 bills passed on January 7th, 2011.

22 | The serial numbers were documented and resulted in a

23 | surveillance review to determine what patron

24 | circulated the bills. The recipients of the bills

25 | were members of the wait staff, and conveyed in each

case and identified in each case the male who had
given them the \$20 bill as he requested the same thing
from each one of them, which was \$1 --- a \$1 bottle of
water and \$19 in change. When Mr. Jackson was
identified on surveillance footage as the actor, he
had already left the casino on that date.

On January 10th, the cage informed BCC and PSP that another counterfeit \$20 bill with a serial number matching that of the prior five bills had been passed and located in the drop bag of a waitress. Approximately 30 minutes later it was reported another waitress received a counterfeit \$20 bill. She identified Jackson as the man who had given it to her. When security approached him, he had fled on foot and an hour and 15 minutes later he returned to retrieve his car. He was then apprehended by PSP. Charges were filed, and on September 21st, he pled guilty to 7 counts each of forgery and theft by deception receiving a 12 month probation sentence.

OEC served the Petition along with a Notice of Hearing Rights via regular first class and certified mail to the address he maintained --- I'm sorry, the address given to the court system in Allegheny County. First class mail was not returned. The certified mail was stamped unclaimed with a date

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    Mr. Jackson did not respond to the complaint,
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    therefore the averments contained within are deemed
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    OEC then filed a request for default judgment on June
    14th of this year, and we now request that he be
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    placed on the Excluded Persons List.
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                  CHAIRMAN:
                  Matthew Jackson in the hearing room?
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    Comments, questions from the Board? Ex-Officio
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    Members?
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                  MR. MOSCATO:
                  Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board issue
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    an Order to approve the addition of Matthew Jackson to
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    the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List as described by
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    the OEC.
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                  MR. SOJKA:
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                  CHAIRMAN:
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                  ATTORNEY MANIFESTO:
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2 Thank you, Beth.

## ATTORNEY PITRE:

The next two matters will be presented by Ms. Nan Davenport.

## ATTORNEY DAVENPORT:

7 Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and 8 Commissioners. Nan Davenport, D-A-V-E-N-P-O-R-T, 9 Deputy Chief Enforcement Counsel for the OEC. Before you today for the Board's approval are two petitions 10 to place individuals on the Board's Exclusion List. 11 12 Giansergio Caputi and his accomplice, Jairon Garcia 13 Rodriguez, who is also known as Fernando Arturo 14 Rodriguez, were involved in three instances of card switching at two different Pennsylvania facilities. 15 16 Specifically on November 6th, 2011, Mr. 17 Caputi and Mr. Rodriguez switched cards on two 18 occasions while playing three card poker at Sugarhouse Casino. The total amount of money Mr. Rodriguez and 19 20 Mr. Caputi gave in the two successful card switches at 21 Sugarhouse on November 6th, 2011 was \$651. But prior 22 to being identified by Pennsylvania State Police, both men exited the casino. 23

Caputi and Mr. Rodriguez switched cards on four

Subsequently on December 16th, 2011, Mr.

- 1 occasions while playing three card poker at Sands
- 2 Casino. The total amount of money Mr. Rodriguez and
- 3 Mr. Caputi gained from the four successful card
- 4 | switches at Sands was \$1,221. Pennsylvania State
- 5 | Police arrested Mr. Caputi and Mr. Rodriguez for this
- 6 incident at Sands.
- 7 Following their arrest, both men were
- 8 observed switching cards against at Sugarhouse Casino.
- 9 On January 13th, 2012, Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Caputi
- 10 | were observed switching cards a total of five times
- 11 | while playing three card poker at Sugarhouse. A
- 12 | Sugarhouse dealer alerted the table games manager, but
- 13 both men left the casino before they could be detained
- 14 by Sugarhouse security. And they left \$195 in game
- 15 | chips on the table.
- 16 | State Police charged Mr. Caputi with one
- 17 | count of theft by deception, a second degree
- 18 | misdemeanor, four counts of violating Section 1518A7.1
- 19 of the Gaming Act, a first degree misdemeanor, one
- 20 | count of criminal conspiracy to commit theft by
- 21 deception, which is a first degree misdemeanor. A
- 22 preliminary hearing is scheduled for August 6th, 2012
- 23 | in the Northampton County Court of Common Pleas.
- 24 | OEC filed a Petition to place Mr. Caputi
- 25 on the Exclusion List on March 16th, 2012. The

Petition was served upon Mr. Caputi by certified and first class mail. Certified mail was effectuated on or about March 20th, 2012, as confirmed by the United States Postal Service Tracking Confirm System and the return of a certified mail green card. Mr. Caputi was not filing a response to the Petition or requesting a

7 hearing on the matter, therefore the facts in OEC's

Petition are deemed admitted.

On May 31st, 2012, OEC filed a request for default judgment. As set forth in its Petition, the OEC has demonstrated that Mr. Caputi satisfies his criteria for exclusion under Section 1514 of the Gaming Act and Chapter 511a of the regulations and would ask the Board to place Giansergio Caputi on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Is Giansergio Caputi in the hearing room?

Any questions or comments from the Board? Ex-Officio

Members? May I have a motion?

#### MR. SOJKA:

Yes, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board issue an Order to approve to addition of Giansergio Caputi to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List as described by the OEC.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Second?

MR. TRUJILLO:

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CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

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CHAIRMAN:

Opposed? The motion carries.

ATTORNEY DAVENPORT:

Thank you. Also, before the Board for its consideration is the Petition to place Mr.

Caputi's accomplice, Jairon Garcia Rodriguez, on the

Board's Exclusion List. On December 16th, 2011,Pennsylvania State Police arrested Mr. Rodriguez and

15 charged him with one count of theft by deception, a

first degree misdemeanor, four counts of violating

17 Section 1518A71 of the Gaming Act and one count of

18 criminal conspiracy to commit theft by deception, a

19 first degree misdemeanor, one count of false reports

20 to law enforcement authorities, a second degree

21 misdemeanor, one count of false identification to law

22 enforcement authorities, a third degree misdemeanor

23 and one count of unsworn falsification to authorities,

24 a second degree misdemeanor. These charges stem from

25 | incidents that occurred at Sands Casino on December

1 | 16th, 2011 that was described earlier.

Mr. Rodriguez pled guilty to criminal conspiracy to commit theft by deception and false identification to law enforcement authorities and received six months probation. OEC filed a Petition to place Mr. Rodriguez on the Exclusion List on March 16th, 2012. The Petition was served upon Mr. Rodriguez by certified and first class mail. Although the certified mail was returned unclaimed, to date the first class mail has not been returned. Mr. Rodriguez has not filed a response to the Petition or requested a hearing, therefore the facts in the OEC's Petition are deemed admitted.

On June 1st, 2012 OEC, filed a request for a default judgment. As set forth in its Petition, OEC has demonstrated that Mr. Rodriguez satisfies the criteria for exclusion under the Section 1514 of the Act and Chapter 511A of the regulations, and I would ask that the Board place Jairon Garcia Rodriguez on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

#### CHAIRMAN:

Is Mr. Jairon Rodriguez in the hearing room? Any questions and comments from the Board? Ex-Officio Members? May I have a motion?

## MR. TRUJILLO:

Mr. Chairman, mindful that this is not a coincidence, I move that the Board issue an Order adding Jairon Garcia Rodriguez to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List as described by the OEC.

MR. FAJT:

Second.

CHAIRMAN:

All in favor?

9 ALL SAY AYE

10 CHAIRMAN:

11 Opposed? The motion carries. Thank you,

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ATTORNEY DAVENPORT:

14 Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN:

motion to adjourn?

16 Thank you, Cyrus. Ladies and gentlemen, 17 that concludes all of OEC's matters. We have today as 18 our public comment period day. And as I understand it, we do not have anyone registered to speak. 19 20 there anyone in the audience wishing to make public 21 comment? Okay. That concludes today's meeting. Our 22 next scheduled public meeting will be held here on 23 Wednesday, August 1st at 10:00 a.m. Any final 24 comments from the Board? Ex-Officios? May I have a

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