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LASALLE BUILDING
LaBELLE HEARING ROOM
617 NORTH 3RD STREET
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

1 APPEARANCES

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3 (At-Large)
4 June 30, 2025

5 JULIE BERRY, VICE-CHAIRMAN
6 (CPA)
7 Third Congressional District
8 June 30, 2024

9 CLAUDE D. JACKSON
10 (At-Large)
11 Fourth Congressional District
12 June 30, 2027

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15 Sixth Congressional District
16 June 30, 2025

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18 (Investigative and Law Enforcement)
19 Fifth Congressional District
20 June 30, 2024

21 RONALD J. SHOLES
22 (Public/Business Administration)
23 Second Congressional District
24 June 30, 2026

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27 First Congressional District
28 June 30, 2027

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30 Principal Assistant

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1 I. CALL TO ORDER

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Okay. Good morning everyone. It's
4 10:00. I would like to call to order the
5 board meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control
6 Board for May 15, 2023. Ms. Hernandez, would
7 you call the roll, please?

8 MS. HERNANDEZ:

9 Chairman Johns?

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Here.

12 MS. HERNANDEZ:

13 Mr. Avant?

14 (NO RESPONSE)

15 MS. HERNANDEZ:

16 Ms. Berry?

17 MS. BERRY:

18 Here.

19 MS. HERNANDEZ:

20 Mr. Jackson?

21 MR. JACKSON:

22 Here.

23 MS. HERNANDEZ:

24 Ms. Lewis?

25 MS. LEWIS:

1 Here.

2 MS. HERNANDEZ:

3 Mr. Poole?

4 MR. POOLE:

5 Here.

6 MS. HERNANDEZ:

7 Ms. Hamilton-Acker?

8 (NO RESPONSE)

9 MS. HERNANDEZ:

10 Mr. Sholes?

11 MR. SHOLES:

12 Here.

13 MS. HERNANDEZ:

14 Ms. Traylor?

15 MS. TRAYLOR:

16 Here.

17 MS. HERNANDEZ:

18 Colonel Davis?

19 MAJOR McNEAL:

20 Major McNeal for Colonel Davis.

21 MS. HERNANDEZ:

22 And Secretary Richard?

23 MS. TEMPLET:

24 Heather Templet for

25 Secretary Richard.

1 MS. HERNANDEZ:

2 We have a quorum.

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 Okay. We do have a quorum. So to
5 all the mothers in the room, I hope you had a
6 great Mother's Day yesterday.

7 II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 Ladies and gentlemen, this is the
10 time of our meeting that we ask for any public
11 comments that may be before the Board today. If
12 there's anyone in the audience that has a public
13 comment that they would like to make about our
14 agenda, you're welcome to come forward.

15 (NO RESPONSE)

16 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

17 Seeing none, we'll move into the
18 approval of the minutes.

19 III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

20 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

21 Members, in your packet you should
22 have minutes from the -- the special meeting of
23 April 4, 2023, and the minutes of April 17, 2023,
24 and I would ask for a motion to waive the reading
25 and approve the minutes of those two meetings.

1 MR. JACKSON:

2 So moved.

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 Mr. Jackson has moved that we approve
5 those minutes.

6 MS. LEWIS:

7 (Indicating)

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 And Ms. Lewis has seconded that
10 motion. Is there any opposition to that motion?

11 (NO RESPONSE)

12 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

13 Hearing none, that motion carries.

14 IV. REVENUE REPORTS

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Okay. Moving to Item No. IV, our
17 revenue reports. Good morning, Ms. Jackson.

18 MS. JACKSON:

19 Chairman Johns, Board Members . . .

20 Good morning.

21 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

22 It appears that you're on.

23 MS. HOOD:

24 There's another one on the floor, I
25 believe.

1 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

2 See if that one works.

3 (TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY)

4 MS. JACKSON:

5 Somebody pulled my plug. Good
6 morning.

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 Good morning.

9 MS. JACKSON:

10 Chairman Johns and Board Members, my
11 name is Donna Jackson with the Louisiana State
12 Police, Gaming Audit Section. In April the 14
13 operating riverboats generated adjusted gross
14 receipts of \$150,846,711. The State collected
15 fees totaling \$32,432,043 during April.

16 Fiscal year to date adjusted gross
17 receipts are \$1,466,000,000, a decrease of
18 2 percent from last fiscal year. As of
19 April 30, 2023, the State collected \$315 million
20 in fees for fiscal year 2023.

21 Page 2 shows the riverboat revenue
22 broken down by regional market. This month's
23 revenues represent a decrease from March of
24 approximately \$15.8 million, or 9.5 percent, and a
25 decrease of \$10.2 million, or 6.3 percent, when

1 compared to the same month last year.

2 Next is a summary of the April 2023
3 gaming activity for Harrah's New Orleans, found on
4 page 3. Harrah's generated \$21,322,082 in gross
5 gaming revenue. These revenues represent a
6 decrease from last month of 3.2 percent and a
7 decrease of almost \$5.7 million, or 21 percent,
8 from last April. During April the State received
9 \$5.3 million in minimum daily payments.

10 Fiscal year to date adjusted gross
11 receipts are \$218.6 million, an increase of
12 17 percent from last fiscal year. As of April 30,
13 2023, the State collected \$54 million in fees for
14 fiscal year 2023.

15 Next I will present the revenues for
16 slots at the racetracks. During April the four
17 racetrack facilities combined generated adjusted
18 gross receipts of \$28,545,257, a decrease of
19 3.9 percent from March and decrease of
20 \$2.2 million, or 7.2 percent, when compared to the
21 same month last year. During April the State
22 collected \$4.3 million in fees.

23 Fiscal year to date adjusted gross
24 receipts are \$266 million, a decrease of
25 \$7 million, or 2.6 percent, from last fiscal year.

1 As of April 30, 2023, the State has collected over
2 \$40 million in fees for fiscal year 2023.

3 I will now move to the video gaming
4 information. There are 12,036 video gaming
5 devices activated at 1,407 locations. Net device
6 revenue for April 2023 was \$66,462,650, a decrease
7 of \$7.1 million, or 9.7 percent, when compared to
8 March and a decrease of \$7 million, or
9 9.5 percent, when compared to last April. Total
10 franchise fees for April 2023, totaled
11 \$20.1 million.

12 Fiscal year to date net device
13 revenue is \$653 million, a decrease of
14 \$42 million, or 6 percent, when compared to last
15 fiscal year. As of April 30, 2023, the State has
16 collected \$198 million in franchise fees for
17 fiscal year 2023.

18 Next I will present the April revenue
19 for sportsbook. During April the 18 retail
20 sportsbooks accepted \$19.7 million in sports
21 wagers, resulting in net proceeds of approximately
22 \$1.8 million and \$196,000 in state taxes. The
23 eight mobile sportsbook operators accepted
24 \$190 million in sports wagers, resulting in net
25 proceeds of \$20.3 and \$2.7 million in taxes paid

1 to the State.

2 Finally, for daily fantasy sports,
3 gross revenues for April were approximately
4 \$688,000, with net revenue of \$70,000 and taxes of
5 \$5,600. Any questions?

6 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

7 Okay. Thank you, Ms. Jackson. Any
8 questions from the Board in terms of revenue? Any
9 questions?

10 (NO RESPONSE)

11 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

12 Okay. Members, also in your packet
13 you will notice a sports wagering comparison by
14 state for the calendar year 2022 and just some
15 interesting numbers that you may want to look at.
16 As I see it now, of all the states around the
17 country, we rank thirteenth, I think, around -- in
18 terms of amount wagered, about thirteenth versus
19 other states, much larger states than us; so kind
20 of an interesting comparison. So any other
21 questions for Ms. Jackson?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Hearing none, Ms. Jackson, thank you.

25 MS. JACKSON:

1 Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Appreciate your good work.

4 V. COMPLIANCE REPORTS

5 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

6 Okay. Now moving to our compliance
7 reports for first quarter of 2023.

8 MR. GATHE:

9 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Board
10 Members. I'm Assistant Attorney General
11 Jeremy Gathe. Today I'll present the staff
12 reports on riverboat and racetrack casino
13 licensees' compliance with employment and
14 procurement conditions for the first quarter of
15 2023. I'll begin with the riverboats. The first
16 quarter reports are taken from figures reported by
17 the 15 operating riverboats to the Louisiana
18 Gaming Control Board.

19 In the first quarter of 2023,
20 approximately 8,941 people were employed by the
21 riverboat industry. Of that number, 8,634 were
22 Louisiana residents, 5,342 were minorities, and
23 4,862 were women. Two licensees achieved total
24 compliance this quarter, and those licensees are:
25 Golden Nugget Lake Charles and L'Auberge

1 Lake Charles.

2 Next I'll address employment. Ten
3 licensees did not meet their total employment
4 goals, and they are: DiamondJacks Casino &
5 Resort, which achieved 35 out of a goal of 650;
6 Sam's Town Hotel & Casino, which achieved 379 out
7 of a goal of 700; L'Auberge Baton Rouge, which
8 achieved 768 out of a goal of 800; Horseshoe
9 Casino & Hotel, which achieved 541 out of a goal
10 of 1,000; Boomtown New Orleans, which achieved 440
11 out of a goal of 555; Belle of Baton Rouge Casino,
12 which achieved 153 out of a goal of 450; Treasure
13 Chest Casino, which achieved 317 out of a goal of
14 500; Hollywood Casino, which achieved 272 out of a
15 goal of 450; Amelia Belle, which achieved 161 out
16 of a goal of 325; and Boomtown Casino Bossier,
17 which achieved 304 out of a goal of 650. All
18 licensees either met or exceeded their goals in
19 all of the subcategories under the main category
20 of employment, with the exception of Treasure
21 Chest Casino, which achieved 47 percent out of a
22 goal of 51.86 percent under the subcategory of
23 female employment.

24 Next I'll address procurement. The
25 licensees are grouped according to three

1 subcategories which appear in your report. Those
2 subcategories are Louisiana, minority, and female
3 procurement. Under Louisiana procurement, three
4 licensees did not achieve compliance with their
5 voluntary conditions, and those licensees are:
6 Treasure Chest Casino, which achieved 72.9 out of
7 a goal of 75 percent; Amelia Belle Casino, which
8 achieved 48.5 percent out of a goal of 80 percent;
9 and Margaritaville Resort Casino, which achieved
10 82.3 out of a goal of 90 percent.

11 Under the subcategory of minority
12 procurement, six licensees did not achieve
13 compliance with their voluntary conditions, and
14 those licensees are: DiamondJacks Casino, which
15 achieved 0 percent out of a goal of 10 percent;
16 Sam's Town Hotel & Casino, which achieved 6.2 out
17 of a goal of 25 percent; Treasure Chest, which
18 achieved 11.2 out of a goal of 15 percent;
19 Amelia Belle Casino, which achieved 20.4 percent
20 out of a goal of 30 percent; Horseshoe Lake
21 Charles, which achieved 1.7 percent out of a goal
22 of 10 percent; and Bally's Shreveport, which
23 achieved 8.5 percent out of a goal of 25 percent.

24 For female procurement, one licensee
25 did not achieve compliance with its voluntary

1 conditions, and that licensee is Horseshoe
2 Lake Charles, which achieved .9 percent out of a
3 goal out of 10 percent.

4 And are there any questions regarding
5 the riverboats?

6 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

7 Any questions for Mr. Gathe from
8 board members?

9 (NO RESPONSE)

10 MR. GATHE:

11 All right.

12 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

13 Mr. Gathe, if I could just interrupt
14 you real quick and let the Board remember this,
15 this quarter -- this is the first quarter of the
16 year. This will be actually the last quarter
17 under the old goals that we had -- the program
18 that we had set forth for many, many years. Our
19 new --

20 MR. GATHE:

21 That is correct.

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Our newly adopted criteria for our
24 goals will go into effect in the second quarter.
25 Is that correct?

1 MR. GATHE:

2 Into effect on the second quarter
3 with regards to the procurement numbers.

4 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

5 Right.

6 MR. GATHE:

7 Right.

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 Yeah, in regards to procurement.

10 MR. GATHE:

11 Yes.

12 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

13 Okay.

14 MR. GATHE:

15 Okay. I'll now move on to the
16 racetracks. In the first quarter of 2023,
17 approximately 1,286 people were employed by the
18 racetrack casino industry. Of that number, 1,083
19 were Louisiana residents, 669 were minorities, and
20 739 were women. Two racetrack casinos achieved
21 total compliance this quarter, and they are
22 Evangeline Downs and Fairgrounds. Delta Downs did
23 not achieve its Louisiana employment condition.
24 It achieved 61.8 percent out of a goal of
25 80 percent, and Louisiana Downs did not achieve

1 its female employment condition. It achieved
2 54.4 percent out of the 60 percent condition.
3 Under procurement, all licensees either met or
4 exceeded their goals in all of the subcategories.

5 And are there any questions regarding
6 the racetracks?

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 Okay. Any questions, Members? Any
9 questions for Mr. Gathe?

10 (NO RESPONSE)

11 MR. GATHE:

12 Thanks.

13 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

14 So thank you, Mr. Gathe. I
15 appreciate the report. To the industry, we look
16 forward to working with you very closely on the
17 new goals, the new criteria on the procurement
18 goals as we've set forth. We hope that you will
19 take those goals very seriously and that you are
20 going to work forward to meeting those goals; so
21 we look forward to working with you on that.

22 VI. CASINO GAMING ISSUES

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. We'll move forward into
25 Item No. VI, casino gaming issues. First today is

1 the consideration of the certificate of compliance
2 for the alternate riverboat inspection of the
3 gaming vessel PNK Lake Charles, LLC, doing
4 business as L'Auberge Lake Charles.

5 MR. JACKSON:

6 Good morning, Chairman Johns. I'm
7 Quintele -- and ladies and gentlemen of the Board.
8 I am Assistant Attorney General Quintele Jackson.
9 With me is Ms. Reed of AVS. We are here in the
10 matter regarding the issuance of a riverboat
11 gaming vessel Certificate of Compliance to PNK,
12 LLC, doing business as L'Auberge Casino.

13 On March 30, 2023, AVS began the
14 inspection process for the approval of L'Auberge
15 Lake Charles' annual Certificate of Compliance,
16 and again on April 26, 2023, AVS conducted a
17 follow-up inspection, and Ms. Reed will now
18 provide the details of that inspection.

19 MS. REED:

20 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
21 Board Members. I am Moriah Reed, a naval
22 architect with American Vessel Services and here
23 to report the annual certification for L'Auberge
24 Casino Lake Charles.

25 The inspectors, Pete Bullard and I,

1 did, on March 30, 2023, attend the riverboat
2 L'Auberge du Lac to conduct the annual inspection
3 in accordance with the Louisiana Alternative
4 Inspection Program. The inspectors reviewed fire
5 protection measures, egress routes, observed
6 emergency lighting, tested the emergency
7 generator, inspected the mooring system, and
8 conducted a fire drill, as well as other required
9 life safety items. The deficiencies are noted on
10 page 6 of your report, and a follow-up inspection
11 was done on April 26, 2023, and all outstanding
12 items are now considered satisfactory, as outlined
13 in the supplemental inspection.

14 The 2023 annual survey, as required
15 by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, is now
16 complete, and L'Auberge Casino Lake Charles is
17 considered fit to continue its intended service as
18 a dockside gaming riverboat in the state of
19 Louisiana. It is the recommendation of AVS that
20 L'Auberge Casino of Lake Charles be issued a
21 Certificate of Compliance for 2023.

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Okay, Members, -- thank you -- you
24 should have a supplemental report that was given
25 to you this morning on this. So all deficiencies

1 have been now completed. Is that correct?

2 MS. REED:

3 Yes, sir.

4 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

5 Okay. Thank you very much. Any
6 questions on L'Auberge Lake Charles?

7 (NO RESPONSE)

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 If not, I would ask for a motion to
10 issue a Certificate of Compliance for PNK
11 Lake Charles, LLC, doing business as L'Auberge
12 Lake Charles, which will expire on March 31, 2024.

13 MS. BERRY:

14 (Indicating)

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Ms. Berry has made that motion.

17 MR. SHOLES:

18 (Indicating)

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 Judge Sholes has seconded that
21 motion. Is there any opposition? Any opposition?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Hearing none, that motion carries.

25 Okay. Item No. B, consideration of Certificate of

1 Compliance for the alternate riverboat inspection
2 of the gaming vessel of Bossier Casino Venture,
3 LLC, doing business as Margaritaville Resort
4 Casino. Good morning.

5 MS. McINTYRE:

6 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Board
7 Members.

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 Could you pull the microphone a
10 little closer to you?

11 MS. McINTYRE:

12 I'm Assistant Attorney General
13 Taliba McIntyre. With me is Ms. Moriah Reed of
14 AVS. We're here in the matter of the issuance of
15 a Certificate of Compliance for Bossier Casino
16 Venture, LLC, doing business as Margaritaville
17 Resort Casino.

18 On April 10, 2023, AVS began the
19 inspection process for the approval of the
20 Margaritaville Resort Casino's annual Certificate
21 of Compliance. Ms. Reed will now provide the
22 details on AVS's inspection.

23 MS. REED:

24 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
25 Board Members. I am Moriah Reed, a naval

1 architect with American Vessel Services and here
2 to report the annual certification for
3 Margaritaville Casino.

4 The inspectors Pete Bullard and
5 Jeff Boyle did, on April 10 and 11, 2023, attend
6 the riverboat Margaritaville to conduct the annual
7 inspection in accordance with the Louisiana
8 Alternative Inspection Program. The inspectors
9 reviewed fire protection measures, egress routes,
10 observed emergency lighting, tested the emergency
11 generator, inspected the mooring system, and
12 conducted a fire drill, as well as other required
13 life safety items. There were no deficiencies
14 noted in this report.

15 The 2023 annual survey, as required
16 by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, is now
17 complete, and the Margaritaville Casino vessel is
18 considered fit to continue its intended service as
19 a dockside gaming river boat in the state of
20 Louisiana. It is the recommendation of AVS that
21 Margaritaville Casino be issued a Certificate of
22 Compliance for 2023.

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. Thank you. No deficiencies --

25 MS. REED:

1 Correct.

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 -- at this point? Okay. Thank you.

4 MS. REED:

5 Sure.

6 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

7 Members, any questions?

8 (NO RESPONSE)

9 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

10 If not, I'll entertain a motion to
11 issue a Certificate of Compliance --

12 MR. JACKSON:

13 Motion to approve.

14 MS. LEWIS:

15 (Indicating)

16 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

17 -- for Bossier Casino Venture, LLC,
18 doing business as Margaritaville Resort Casino. A
19 motion has been made by Mr. Jackson and seconded
20 by Ms. Lewis. Is there any discussion on the
21 motion? Is there any opposition to the motion?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Hearing none, that motion carries.

25 Okay. We'll move into the consideration of --

1 consideration of compliance for the alternate
2 riverboat inspection of the gaming vessel of
3 Treasure Chest Casino, LLC, doing business as
4 Treasure Chest Casino.

5 MR. LEWIS:

6 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Board
7 Members. I'm Assistant Attorney General
8 Kanick Lewis, Jr. With me is Ms. Moriah Reed of
9 AVS. We're here in the matter of the issuance of
10 a Certificate of Compliance for Treasure Chest
11 Casino, LLC, doing business as Treasure Chest
12 Casino.

13 On April 15, 2023, AVS began the
14 inspection process for the approval of Treasure
15 Chest's annual Certificate of Compliance.

16 Ms. Reed will now provide the details on AVS's
17 inspection.

18 MS. REED:

19 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
20 Board Members. I am Moriah Reed, a naval
21 architect with American Vessel Services and here
22 to report the annual certification for Treasure
23 Chest Casino.

24 The inspectors Pete Bullard and I
25 did, on March 16, 2023, attend the riverboat

1 Treasure Chest Casino to conduct the annual
2 inspection in accordance with the Louisiana
3 Alternative Inspection Program. The inspectors
4 reviewed fire protection measures, egress routes,
5 observed emergency lighting, tested the emergency
6 generator, inspected the mooring system, and
7 conducted a fire drill, as well as other required
8 life safety items. The deficiencies are noted on
9 page 6 of your annual report.

10 A follow-up inspection was done on
11 April 15, 2023, and all outstanding items are
12 considered satisfactory, as outlined in the
13 supplemental inspection report.

14 The 2023 annual survey, as required
15 by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, is now
16 complete and is -- and Treasure Chest Casino is
17 considered fit to continue its intended service as
18 a dockside gaming riverboat in the state of
19 Louisiana. It is the recommendation of AVS that
20 Treasure Chest Casino be issued a Certificate of
21 Compliance for 2023.

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Okay. Again, Members, today you
24 should have a supplemental survey report. That
25 was not actually mailed to you, but you should

1 have it in your possession. So all deficiencies
2 have been now complied with?

3 MS. REED:

4 Yes, sir.

5 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

6 Okay. So, Members, I would ask for a
7 motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for
8 the gaming vessel of Treasure Chest Casino, LLC,
9 doing business as Treasure Chest Casino.

10 MR. SHOLES:

11 (Indicating)

12 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

13 Judge Sholes has made that motion.

14 MS. TRAYLOR:

15 (Indicating)

16 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

17 And Ms. Traylor has seconded that
18 motion. Is there any discussion on that motion?

19 Is there any objection to the motion?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

22 Hearing none, that motion carries.

23 Ms. Eitland, I know you're out there in the

24 audience. I hope this is your last maritime

25 survey. Hope it will be completed by next year?

1 There you go. Thank you.

2 Okay. Moving to consideration of a
3 Certificate of Compliance for the alternate
4 riverboat inspection of the gaming vessel
5 Catfish Queen, LLC, doing business as the Belle of
6 Baton Rouge.

7 MS. HOUSTON:

8 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
9 Board members. I'm Assistant Attorney General
10 Delancey Houston, and with me today is Moriah Reed
11 of AVS. We are here in the matter of the issuance
12 of the Certificate of Compliance for the Belle of
13 Baton Rouge Casino.

14 On March 9, 2023, AVS began the
15 inspection process for the approval of the
16 Belle of Baton Rouge Casino's annual Certificate
17 of Compliance. Ms. Moriah Reed will now provide
18 the details on AVS's inspection.

19 MS. REED:

20 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
21 Board Members. I am Moriah Reed, a naval
22 architect with American Vessel Services. I am
23 here to report the annual certification for the
24 Belle of Baton Rouge Casino.

25 The AVS inspectors Pete Bullard and I

1 did, on March 9, 2023, attend the riverboat
2 Argosy 3 to conduct the annual inspection in
3 accordance with the Louisiana Alternative
4 Inspection Program. The inspectors reviewed fire
5 protection measures, egress routes, observed
6 emergency lighting, tested the emergency
7 generator, inspected the mooring system, and
8 conducted a fire drill, as well as other required
9 life safety items.

10 In this original inspection, there were
11 deficiencies, as noted on pages 6 and 7 of the
12 annual inspection report. On May 2, 2023, a
13 follow-up inspection was completed, and all
14 deficiencies are now considered satisfactory.

15 The 2023 annual survey, as required by the
16 Louisiana Gaming Control Board, is now complete,
17 and Belle of Baton Rouge Casino is considered fit
18 to continue its intended service as a dockside
19 gaming riverboat in the state of Louisiana. It is
20 the recommendation of AVS that the Belle of
21 Baton Rouge Casino be issued a Certificate of
22 Compliance for 2023.

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. Excuse me. Any questions?
25 Any questions?

1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Again, all deficiencies have now been
4 complied with?

5 MS. REED:

6 Yes, sir.

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 Okay. Thank you very much. I would
9 ask for a motion to issue a Certificate of
10 Compliance for the gaming vessel Catfish Queen
11 doing business as the Belle of Baton Rouge.

12 MR. POOLE:

13 So moved.

14 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

15 Mr. Poole has made that motion.

16 MS. BERRY:

17 I'll second.

18 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

19 And Ms. Berry has seconded that
20 motion. Is there any discussion on the motion?
21 Is there any opposition to the motion?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Hearing none, that motion
25 carries. Okay.

1 MS. HOUSTON:

2 Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 Thank all of you for your hard work
5 to be in compliance with the -- these inspections.
6 Greatly appreciated. Okay. We now move into the
7 consideration of a Certificate of Compliance for
8 the alternate riverboat inspection of the gaming
9 vessel St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC, doing
10 business as Horseshoe Casino, LLC, which is no
11 longer a gaming vessel.

12 MR. GATHE:

13 Right. Chairman Johns, --

14 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

15 Good morning.

16 MR. GATHE:

17 Good morning -- Board Members, I'm
18 Assistant Attorney General Jeremy Gathe, here in
19 the matter of the issuance of the Certificate of
20 Compliance for St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC,
21 doing business as Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles.
22 Representatives of the licensee are also present
23 today.

24 On April 17, 2023, the Board approved
25 the licensee's request for issuance of a Temporary

1 Certificate of Compliance, with an expiration date
2 of May 15, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. The Board granted
3 a temporary COC because the licensee only received
4 a temporary Certificate of Occupancy from the
5 State Fire Marshal due to several deficiencies at
6 the licensee's landside facility.

7 On May 9, 2023, the State Fire
8 Marshal conducted a follow-up inspection with the
9 licensee to assess whether the licensee had
10 corrected all of its previously cited deficiencies
11 before issuance of a full Certificate of
12 Occupancy. After the inspection at the licensee's
13 landside facility, the State Fire Marshal reported
14 that all previously cited deficiencies were
15 corrected and the facility was acceptable for full
16 occupancy.

17 Therefore, the Board is within its
18 authority to issue a full Certificate of
19 Compliance to the licensee for a period of one
20 year. If it is the Board's pleasure to issue a
21 Certificate of Compliance for the Horseshoe Casino
22 Lake Charles, a resolution has been prepared for
23 the Board's adoption and the chairman's signature.
24 And I can answer any questions.

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 Okay. Members, before you, you do
2 have the final inspection report from the Fire
3 Marshal Office that -- that everything is now in
4 compliance; so congratulations to Horseshoe. We
5 appreciate y'all's hard work in getting -- getting
6 there. I know it's been a -- it's been a journey,
7 huh, Mr. Favre?

8 MR. FAVRE:

9 Yes, sir.

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 It's been a journey. Okay. Thank
12 you very much. Members, any questions for the
13 Attorney General's Office?

14 (NO RESPONSE)

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Okay. If not, I would ask for a
17 motion to adopt the resolution that we have
18 prepared. Ms. Berry has made that motion;
19 Mr. Poole has seconded that motion. And,
20 Ms. Hernandez, would you read the resolution?

21 MS. HERNANDEZ:

22 In the matter of St. Charles Gaming
23 Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe Casino
24 Lake Charles' riverboat gaming landside facility
25 Certificate of Compliance.

1 On the 15th day of May 2023, the
2 Louisiana Gaming Control Board did, in a duly
3 noticed public meeting, consider the issue of
4 St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC, doing business as
5 Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles' riverboat gaming
6 landside facility Certificate of Compliance, and
7 upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board
8 adopted this resolution:

9 Be it resolved that the licensee's
10 request for a riverboat gaming landside facility
11 Certificate of Compliance is hereby approved, with
12 an expiration date of May 15, 2024.

13 Thus done and signed in Baton Rouge,
14 Louisiana, this May 15 -- this 15th of May, 2023.

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Thank you, Ms. Hernandez. We have a
17 motion to adopt this resolution by Ms. Berry,
18 seconded by Mr. Poole. Is there any discussion?
19 Is there any objection? No -- I'm sorry. We've
20 got to call the roll. My apologies.
21 Ms. Hernandez, would you call the roll?

22 MS. HERNANDEZ:

23 Ms. Berry?

24 MS. BERRY:

25 Here -- yes.

1 MS. HERNANDEZ:

2 Mr. Jackson?

3 MR. JACKSON:

4 Yes.

5 MS. HERNANDEZ:

6 Ms. Lewis?

7 MS. LEWIS:

8 Yes.

9 MS. HERNANDEZ:

10 Mr. Poole?

11 MR. POOLE:

12 Yes.

13 MS. HERNANDEZ:

14 Mr. Sholes?

15 MR. SHOLES:

16 Yes.

17 MS. HERNANDEZ:

18 Ms. Traylor?

19 MS. TRAYLOR:

20 Yes.

21 MS. HERNANDEZ:

22 And Chairman Johns?

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Yes. By a unanimous vote that motion
25 carries. So congratulations, Mr. Favre.

1 VII. SPORTS WAGERING ISSUES

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Okay. Item No. 7 is sports wagering
4 issues. We have today the consideration for the
5 approval of the following sports wagering license
6 application for St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC,
7 doing business as Horseshoe Casino of
8 Lake Charles.

9 MR. GATHE:

10 Chairman Johns, --

11 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

12 Good morning.

13 MR. GATHE:

14 Good morning again -- Board Members,
15 I'm Assistant Attorney General Jeremy Gathe, and
16 here with me today is Ms. Tammy Haupt with
17 Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Division, and
18 Criminal Investigator Rodney Perkins with
19 Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement. And
20 we also do have representatives of the applicant
21 that are here today that is going to provide a
22 brief presentation.

23 We're here in the matter of the
24 Sports Wagering License application of St. Charles
25 Gaming Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe

1 Casino Lake Charles. Pursuant to the Louisiana
2 Sports Wagering Act, the Board is charged with
3 issuing or denying applications for sports
4 wagering licensees. The applicant is eligible to
5 apply for a sports wagering license due to its
6 licensure as a riverboat gaming licensee.

7 This Board issued a Temporary
8 Certificate of Authority to the applicant to
9 conduct business as a sports wagering licensee,
10 with an effective date of December 10, 2022. The
11 TCOA expires on June 10, 2023.

12 Louisiana State Police's Gaming
13 Division has reviewed and investigated the
14 application and will now report its findings to
15 the Board.

16 MS. HAUPT:

17 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
18 Board Members. My name is Tammy Haupt with
19 Louisiana State Police's Gaming Audit Section.
20 The Audit Section has reviewed the financial
21 information submitted by the sports wagering
22 license applicant, St. Charles Gaming
23 Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe Casino
24 Lake Charles and its ultimate parent,
25 Caesars Entertainment, Inc.

1 On March 9, 2022, Horseshoe
2 Lake Charles entered into an operating lease
3 agreement with American Wagering, Inc., AWI, doing
4 business as Caesars Sportsbook, a sports wagering
5 platform provider and wholly owned direct
6 subsidiary of William Hill US HoldCo, Inc., and an
7 indirect subsidiary of Caesars Entertainment. The
8 agreement allows AWI to provide the licensee with
9 a retail sports wagering operation on the casino
10 premises using the Caesars sportsbook brand;
11 however, unlike other agreements, the parties
12 agree there would be no monetary considerations
13 for the sportsbook lease and retail sportsbook
14 operation.

15 AWI will operate the retail
16 sportsbook and retain all revenue derived from its
17 operation. Horseshoe Lake Charles will not
18 receive any monetary compensation from revenues
19 generated by the retail sportsbook. According to
20 the Operating Lease Agreement, Horseshoe
21 Lake Charles, as the holder of the retail sports
22 wagering license, benefits from the operation of
23 the retail sportsbook by expanding its gaming
24 offering at the property and attracting more
25 customers to the property.

1 Horseshoe Lake Charles held the grand
2 opening of its landside casino and retail
3 sportsbook on December 12, 2022.

4 Horseshoe Lake Charles does not yet
5 have an agreement with a sports wagering platform
6 provider for mobile sports wagering.

7 It is our assessment, based on the
8 information reviewed, Horseshoe Lake Charles
9 possesses the financial ability to maintain its
10 sports wagering operations. No financials -- no
11 financial issues came to the Audit Section's
12 attention that were of such nature as to preclude
13 the Board from approving the issuance of a sports
14 wagering license to Horseshoe Lake Charles.

15 Licensing will now present their
16 findings.

17 MR. PERKINS:

18 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
19 Members of the Board. I'm Criminal Investigator
20 Rodney Perkins with the Louisiana State Police,
21 Gaming Enforcement Division.

22 On November, 29, 2021, the Louisiana
23 State Police Gaming, Enforcement Division,
24 received a sports wagering license application
25 from St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC, doing

1 business as Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles. In
2 accordance with the rules and regulations of the
3 Gaming Division, a background investigation was
4 conducted on St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC, its
5 shareholders, subsidiaries, officers, directors,
6 and persons with five percent or more ownership or
7 economic interest in the license.

8 A background investigation consisted
9 of inquiries to federal, state, and local law
10 enforcement agencies, civil jurisdictions, gaming
11 regulatory agencies, Louisiana Department of
12 Revenue, and computerized criminal history
13 database. Based on this investigation, there was
14 no information found that would preclude the Board
15 from approving the license of St. Charles Gaming
16 Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe Casino
17 Lake Charles.

18 MR. GATHE:

19 If it is the Board's pleasure to
20 sport -- to approve the sports wagering
21 application for St. Charles Gaming, LL -- Company,
22 LLC, doing business as Horseshoe Casino
23 Lake Charles, a resolution has been prepared for
24 the Board's adoption and signature.

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 Okay. Thank you, very much. Any
2 questions for staff at the table? Any questions?

3 (NO RESPONSE)

4 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

5 I think Horseshoe is here this
6 morning and would like to make a short
7 presentation. So would y'all come forward?
8 Mr. Barbin, good morning.

9 MR. BARBIN:

10 Good morning. Good morning,
11 Chairman Johns and Board Members. I'm
12 Jeff Barbin, representing Horseshoe Lake Charles.
13 To my immediate left is Jeff Favre, as you all
14 know, is the Senior VP and General Manager at
15 Horseshoe, and to his left is Robert Urand.
16 Robert is the Regional President for the Caesars
17 region that includes Louisiana. And we're going
18 to make a brief PowerPoint presentation on the
19 sportsbook.

20 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

21 Good morning.

22 MR. FAVRE:

23 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Members
24 of the Board.

25 MR. URLAND:

1 Good morning.

2 MR. FAVRE:

3 It's a pleasure to be here again.
4 I'm just going to go through a quick look at the
5 sportsbook and the offerings that we provide. I
6 know this one is really busy, but it's basically a
7 floor diagram of everything that's on the casino
8 floor. You can see the little red outline, kind
9 of in the middle to the left. That's the
10 sportsbook, which is part of Brew Brothers.

11 I think I had mentioned this before,
12 but Brew Brothers is basically the Carano brothers
13 that started a micro brewery in Reno many years
14 ago, and they expanded that brand. And we're
15 fortunate enough to be able to do so.

16 But going to the next one, this is
17 really the more difficult one to see. I think the
18 pictures are -- the pretty pictures are next and
19 will show you a little bit better, but these are
20 elevations of the view looking into the venue from
21 outside and from the casino floor and, actually,
22 the very bottom from the inside looking out.

23 That's much easier to see and
24 understand. That's the front entrance. We have
25 man caves -- the fan cave to the right, two of

1 those, and seating in the bar and in the
2 sportsbook to the left of that. So next one.

3 If you ask me how many TVs, I
4 wouldn't be able to answer you. There's a lot. I
5 know that. But that's almost looking at it from
6 the casino floor on the atrium entrance looking
7 in. We have fan -- two fan caves there as well
8 and then, of course, the table seating. You can't
9 really see the couches from there. They're almost
10 in the next one.

11 The restaurant -- there's the fan
12 caves. It's, you know, pretty popular. People
13 really like those, and so far so good.

14 The bar, that's looking out -- to the
15 left is the sportsbook, where you actually get the
16 ticket writers accepting the bets, and then you
17 can see the casino floor in the background.
18 That's where the bets are taken, pretty much the
19 odds board. Pretty simple.

20 That's not me, just -- and I think
21 everyone knows that gentleman, Mattress Mack, who
22 placed the first wager in our sportsbook for a
23 million dollars, I believe, on Houston, if I
24 remember correctly.

25 Really that's it. Not a whole bunch

1 to it, an update on kind of where we are. Pleased
2 to say that, you know, the deficiencies were
3 cleared by the Fire Marshal. Had a good meeting
4 with him on Thursday -- or Wednesday of last week,
5 and we're moving in the right direction.

6 Gordon Ramsey Steak will be turned
7 over to us, it's looking like, around the middle
8 of September, the same with Dunkin' Donuts and
9 Baskin-Robbins. The pool should be done in the
10 end of June, along with the fitness center. That
11 will be the end of June as well.

12 Let's see. Am I forgetting anything?
13 I think everything else we're pretty good at. I
14 mean, we're still doing our punch list items,
15 which, as I mentioned previously, the list is very
16 long, very vast. And it's not as long and vast as
17 it was, but it's still a -- it's still a working
18 list, and we're moving in the right direction.

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 Mr. Urland, good morning.

21 MR. URLAND:

22 Good morning, Chairman. Good
23 morning, Board. It's good to be here. It's been
24 a while. I've missed the last few for business
25 reasons, but it's good to be back in front of you.

1 Lake Charles is a stunning property.
2 Obviously, our competitors have just as beautiful
3 properties; so when we envisioned what we wanted
4 to do, we wanted to make sure it complimented the
5 market. Sports betting has been a great addition.
6 Obviously, Mattress Mack has given us phenomenal
7 exposure. Helps drive visitation. Drives
8 revenue. We're very proud of what we've done
9 there. We're very happy with the revenues, and we
10 are -- like I've said, we are looking to expand
11 the footprint of the property in a few different
12 ways; so as we continue to develop that plan, we
13 will stay in close communication with you on that.

14 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

15 And that's good news. We like to
16 hear that.

17 MR. URLAND:

18 Yes, sir.

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 So, if I'm not mistaken, you got to
21 keep that million dollars, too, didn't you,
22 Mr. Favre?

23 MR. FAVRE:

24 Yes, sir.

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 Yeah. I think Mr. -- I think
2 Mattress bet on the Houston Cougars to win the
3 basketball championship, which they did not do;
4 so --

5 MR. FAVRE:

6 Correct.

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 -- congratulations.

9 MR. FAVRE:

10 Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

12 Members, I know Ms. Berry and I have
13 both been to this property. It's just -- it's
14 outstanding. It's something that the state can be
15 very proud of, what y'all have built there, and
16 you went way beyond our expectations, I think. I
17 was there for the groundbreaking with former
18 Chairman Jones and the end product was far beyond
19 what we ever expected; so thank you very much for
20 your commitment to Louisiana.

21 Mr. Urland, I know Caesars has got a
22 lot going on in New Orleans, also, --

23 MR. URLAND:

24 Yes, sir.

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 -- with a huge investment there; so
2 we do thank y'all for that, also. We look forward
3 to the completion of your amenities, Mr. Favre,
4 and just keep us updated on those, if you would;
5 so --

6 MR. FAVRE:

7 Yes, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 Members, any questions for our
10 friends from Caesars? Any questions?

11 (NO RESPONSE)

12 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

13 If not, I think Ms. Berry would
14 probably make the motion to --

15 MS. BERRY:

16 Absolutely.

17 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

18 -- adopt a resolution that we will
19 read in a second. And do I have a second to --

20 MS. LEWIS:

21 (Indicating)

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Ms. Lewis has seconded that motion to
24 adopt the resolution. And so, Ms. Hernandez,
25 would you read the resolution, please?

1 MS. HERNANDEZ:

2 Approval of the Sports Wagering
3 License of St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC, Doing
4 Business as Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles.

5 On the 15th day of May 2023, the
6 Louisiana Gaming Control Board did, in a duly
7 noticed public meeting, consider the Sports
8 Wagering License Application of St. Charles Gaming
9 Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe Casino
10 Lake Charles, and upon motion duly made and
11 seconded, the Board adopted the following
12 resolution:

13 Be it resolved that St. Charles
14 Gaming Company, LLC, doing business as Horseshoe
15 Casino Lake Charles be approved for a Sports
16 Wagering License for a term of five years,
17 commencing on December 10, 2022.

18 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

19 Okay. We do have a resolution that
20 has been offered by Ms. Berry, seconded by
21 Ms. Lewis. And so, Ms. Hernandez, would you call
22 the roll, please?

23 MS. HERNANDEZ:

24 Ms. Berry?

25 MS. BERRY:

1 Yes.

2 MS. HERNANDEZ:

3 Mr. Jackson?

4 MR. JACKSON:

5 Yes.

6 MS. HERNANDEZ:

7 Ms. Lewis?

8 MS. LEWIS:

9 Yes.

10 MS. HERNANDEZ:

11 Mr. Poole?

12 MR. POOLE:

13 Yes.

14 MS. HERNANDEZ:

15 Mr. Sholes?

16 MR. SHOLES:

17 Yes.

18 MS. HERNANDEZ:

19 Ms. Traylor?

20 MS. TRAYLOR:

21 Yes.

22 MS. HERNANDEZ:

23 And Chairman Johns?

24 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

25 Yes. By unanimous vote that

1 resolution is hereby adopted. Congratulations.
2 Again, thank you for your commitment, your hard
3 work, and continue to grow the market, Mr. Favre.
4 We like that.

5 MR. FAVRE:

6 Yes, sir.

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 All right.

9 MR. FAVRE:

10 Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

12 Thank you, Mr. Barbin. Thank you,
13 Robert.

14 MR. BARBIN:

15 Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

17 Thank you for coming. Okay. We move
18 into the consideration for the approval of the
19 following Sports Wagering Platform Provider Permit
20 Application: PointsBet Louisiana, LLC, doing
21 business as PointsBet.

22 MS. NATHAN:

23 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
24 Members of the Board. Assistant Attorney General
25 Andrea Nathan, appearing with Tammy Haupt with the

1 Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Division, and
2 Trooper Kevin Bidy of the Gaming Enforcement
3 Division. Representatives of the applicant are
4 also present today. We are here in the matter of
5 the consideration of a Sports Wagering Platform
6 Provider Application of PointsBet, Louisiana, LLC,
7 doing business as PointsBet.

8 Pursuant to the Louisiana Sports
9 Wagering Act, the Board is charged with issuing or
10 denying applications for Sports Wagering Platform
11 Provider Permits. The Board issued a Temporary
12 Certificate of Authority to the applicant to
13 conduct business as a sports wagering platform
14 provider, with an effective date of September 16,
15 2022. The TCOA expires on June 14, 2023.

16 Louisiana State Police's Gaming
17 Division has reviewed and investigated the
18 application and will now report its findings to
19 the Board.

20 MS. HAUPT:

21 Good morning, Chairman Johns and
22 Board Members. My name is Tammy Haupt with
23 Louisiana State Police's Gaming Audit Section.

24 The Audit Section has reviewed the
25 financial information submitted in conjunction

1 with the Sports Wagering Platform Provider Permit
2 applicant, PointsBet Louisiana, LLC, doing
3 business as PointsBet, as well as its direct and
4 indirect parent companies.

5 In October of 2021, PointsBet gained
6 access to the Louisiana market when it entered
7 into a Market Access Agreement with Boomtown
8 Casino New Orleans, launching its mobile
9 sportsbook on September 16, 2022, utilizing one of
10 Boomtown New Orleans' legally authorized licenses.

11 Since entering the U.S. sports
12 wagering market in 2019, PointsBet quickly
13 expanded its North American mobile sports wagering
14 operations. The PointsBet mobile sports wagering
15 platform is currently live in 14 U.S. states and
16 Ontario, Canada. Although PointsBet has market
17 access agreements in place to expand its mobile
18 sports wagering foot -- footprint further, its
19 management has made the decision not to enter any
20 new jurisdictions in 2023, as new state launches
21 attract significant costs.

22 PointsBet has incurred operating
23 losses since its inception in 2019, which is not
24 uncommon with emerging sports wagering platform
25 providers, as significant investments are required

1 for entry into new regulated jurisdictions, as
2 well as increased costs related to online and
3 retail penetration.

4 For the six-month interim period --
5 period ending December 31, 2022, PointsBet's North
6 American sports wagering and iGaming operations
7 reported 55.5 million in revenues, up 103 percent
8 over the results for the first half of the prior
9 year, with an adjusted EBITDA deficit of
10 76.2 million. North America delivered 98 percent
11 net win growth, with U.S. market -- marketing
12 expenses down 17 percent, or 6.7 million, due to
13 stabilization of costs and strong iGaming results.

14 According to a PointsBet
15 representative, PointsBet Group plans to use its
16 cash on hand to fund its North American
17 operations' working capital until adequate cash
18 flow is achieved to support its operations. As of
19 December 31, 2022, PointsBet had no corporate debt
20 and reported cash and cash equivalence of
21 approximately 263 million, with 572 million in
22 total assets. This is a 21 percent increase from
23 207.9 million and 470.2 million, respectively, for
24 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

25 PointsBet has not issued any clear

1 public statements on expected or estimated
2 profitability timings. They plan to focus on
3 continued revenue growth and improving
4 profitability by enhancing efficiencies and
5 reducing costs in existing jurisdictions.

6 Since PointsBet Louisiana does not
7 have an investment in a brick-and-mortar facility
8 in Louisiana, we feel that there is no -- there is
9 minimal risk to the state if they do not achieve
10 the profitability they are projecting.

11 Additionally, there's minimal -- minimal risk to
12 Louisiana patrons, as states -- state gaming laws
13 require them to segregate player deposits from its
14 operational funds and maintain a sufficient cash
15 reserve to ensure players can withdraw funds at
16 any time.

17 It is our assessment, based on the
18 information reviewed by the Audit Section, that
19 PointsBet Louisiana possesses the financial
20 ability to support its sports wagering operations.
21 No financial issues, other than its negative
22 operating profits previously mentioned, came to
23 the Audit Section's attention that were of such
24 nature as to preclude the Board from approving the
25 issuance of a Sports Wagering Platform Provider

1 Permit to PointsBet Louisiana.

2 Licensing will now present their
3 findings.

4 MASTER TROOPER BIDDY:

5 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Members
6 of the Board. I am Master Trooper Kevin Bidy
7 with the Louisiana Gaming Enforcement Division.

8 On April 6, 2022, PointsBet
9 Louisiana, LLC, doing business as PointsBet
10 submitted a Sports Wagering Platform Provider
11 Application. PointsBet Louisiana, LLC, doing
12 business as PointsBet applied for a permit to
13 provide an online market sports wagering operation
14 on behalf of Boomtown New Orleans.

15 Under the rules and regulations of
16 the Gaming Enforcement Division, a background
17 investigation was conducted on PointsBet
18 Louisiana, LLC, doing business as PointsBet, its
19 shareholders, subsidiaries, officers, directors,
20 and persons with five percent or more ownership or
21 economic interest in the permit, to determine if
22 any information would deem PointsBet Louisiana,
23 LLC, doing business as PointsBet unsuitable.

24 The background investigation
25 consisted of inquiries to federal, state, and

1 local law enforcement agencies, civil
2 jurisdictions, gaming regulatory agencies, and the
3 Louisiana Department of Revenue. Inquiries were
4 also made through a computerized criminal history
5 database.

6 Based on this investigation, no
7 information was found that would preclude the
8 Board from approving PointsBet Louisiana, LLC,
9 doing business as PointsBet a Sports Wagering
10 Platform Provider Permit.

11 MS. NATHAN:

12 If it is the Board's pleasure to
13 approve the Sports Wagering Platform Provider
14 Application of PointsBet Louisiana, LLC, doing
15 business as PointsBet, a resolution has been
16 prepared for the Board's adoption and signature.

17 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

18 Okay. Thank you very much. Any
19 questions for staff on their recommendation? Any
20 questions?

21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Okay. I would entertain a motion to
24 adopt the resolution that will be read.

25 MR. SHOLES:

1 (Indicating)

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Judge Sholes has made that motion to
4 adopt the resolution.

5 MS. TRAYLOR:

6 (Indicating)

7 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

8 And Ms. Traylor has seconded that
9 motion. And so, Ms. Hernandez, would you read the
10 resolution, please?

11 MS. HERNANDEZ:

12 Approval of the Sports Wagering
13 Platform Provider Permit for PointsBet Louisiana,
14 LLC, doing business as PointsBet.

15 On the 15th day of May 2023, the
16 Louisiana Gaming Control Board did, in a duly
17 noticed public meeting, consider the Sports
18 Wagering Platform Provider Permit Application and
19 the comprehensive compulsive and problem gaming --
20 problem gaming program of PointsBet Louisiana,
21 LLC, doing business as PointsBet, and upon motion
22 duly made and seconded, the Board adopted this
23 resolution:

24 Be it resolved that PointsBet
25 Louisiana, LLC, doing business as Point -- doing

1 business as PointsBet be approved for a Sports
2 Wagering Platform Provider Permit for a term of
3 five years, commencing September 16, 2022.

4 Be it resolved that the;
5 comprehensive compulsive and problem gambling
6 program submitted by PointsBet Louisiana, LLC,
7 doing business as PointsBet is hereby approved.

8 Thus done and signed in Baton Rouge,
9 Louisiana, this 15th day of May 2023.

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Okay. We have a motion by
12 Judge Sholes, seconded by Ms. Traylor, to adopt
13 this resolution. Ms. Hernandez, would you call
14 the roll, please?

15 MS. HERNANDEZ:

16 Ms. Berry?

17 MS. BERRY:

18 Yes.

19 MS. HERNANDEZ:

20 Mr. Jackson?

21 MR. JACKSON:

22 Yes.

23 MS. HERNANDEZ:

24 Ms. Lewis?

25 MS. LEWIS:

1 Yes.

2 MS. HERNANDEZ:

3 Mr. Poole?

4 MR. POOLE:

5 Yes.

6 MS. HERNANDEZ:

7 Mr. Sholes?

8 MR. SHOLES:

9 Yes.

10 MS. HERNANDEZ:

11 Ms. Traylor?

12 MS. TRAYLOR:

13 Yes.

14 MS. HERNANDEZ:

15 And Chairman Johns?

16 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

17 Yes. By unanimous vote this
18 resolution is hereby adopted and approved. And
19 congratulations to PointsBet. Welcome to
20 Louisiana.

21 VIII. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AND
22 APPEALS

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. Members, I'm going to deviate
25 from the agenda just a little bit, and I would

1 like to take up, under appeals, Section C, the
2 He's Not Here Lounge. Mr. Carras, why don't you
3 come on up.

4 We have an appeal today, Members,
5 He's Not Here Lounge, LLC, doing business as
6 He is -- He's Not Here Lounge. Good morning
7 Mr. Carras. How are you doing?

8 MR. CARRAS:

9 Pretty good. Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Good. If you could just introduce
12 yourself. Just introduce yourself.

13 MS. JAMES:

14 You've got --

15 MR. CARRAS:

16 Oh, I'm Shane -- William Shane
17 Carras, and we have the He Not -- He's Not Here
18 Lounge/Bar.

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 Okay.

21 MR. CARRAS:

22 Yes, sir.

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Members, Mr. Carras' attorney,
25 Mr. Dustan Abshire from Lake Charles, has notified

1 the Board and the Attorney General's Office that
2 he had a conflict today, that he had a continuance
3 of a trial from last week in -- with DCFS on a
4 Family Court matter. We have verified that with
5 the Court that that is the case; so his attorney
6 could not be here today, and they are asking for a
7 continuance to the June 15 hearing. So I know we
8 have representation from the Attorney General's
9 Office. Do you have any comments?

10 MS. JAMES:

11 Yes, Your Honor -- Chairman.
12 Chairman and Board Members, --

13 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

14 That's all right.

15 MS. JAMES:

16 -- I am Assistant Attorney General
17 Lekiesha James on behalf of the Division, and here
18 we vehemently oppose the -- the request for a
19 continuance that was sent at the -- that was sent
20 at the last possible moment, which is just another
21 example of the untimeliness of this whole
22 applicant -- the whole time that the Division has
23 been dealing with this applicant. So the Division
24 vehemently opposes this last-minute request for
25 a -- for a continuance.

1 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

2 Okay. I appreciate that. I -- and
3 I've read the file, and I am very familiar with
4 what's going on. I'm going to personally have to
5 disagree with the Attorney General's Office on
6 this one, because this was a trial that was being
7 held from last week, and it was carried over into
8 this week; so I think that is the reason for the
9 lateness of this. I don't -- I'm like you. I
10 don't like last-minute obstacles thrown in my way,
11 but I think in this case it's justified.

12 So, Members, I -- as Chairman, I will
13 make a motion that we continue this appeal until
14 the June 15, 2023, meeting of the Gaming Control
15 Board. Do I have a second?

16 MR. JACKSON:

17 Second.

18 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

19 Mr. Jackson has seconded that motion.
20 Is there any discussion on the motion, Members?
21 Any discussion?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. Hearing none, is there any --

25 MS. JAMES:

1 Chairman --

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Yes. I'm sorry. My apologies.

4 MS. JAMES:

5 What -- sorry to interrupt, but just
6 for sufficiency of the record, I would like that
7 the Board be polled and each individual vote be
8 made a part of the record whether to grant or deny
9 the continuance.

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Okay. We can do that.

12 MR. HEBERT:

13 Mr. Chairman, as Director, I'm going
14 to say that is not necessary.

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Not necessary?

17 MR. HEBERT:

18 Not necessary.

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 Okay. All right. Thank you,
21 Mr. Hebert. Appreciate that. Okay, Members, we
22 do have a motion and a second to continue this to
23 the June 15, 2023, board meeting. Is there any
24 discussion? Is there any opposition to that
25 motion?

1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Hearing none, that motion carries.

4 Mr. Carras, we will hear your appeal on June 15,
5 2023. There will be no more continuances of this.

6 MR. CARRAS:

7 Yes, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

9 And that meeting will be held in the
10 State Capitol building in June -- June 15.

11 MR. CARRAS:

12 Yes, sir.

13 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

14 But this is your last continuance.

15 MR. CARRAS:

16 Okay.

17 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

18 Okay?

19 MR. CARRAS:

20 Yes, sir.

21 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

22 Good -- good luck to you.

23 MR. CARRAS:

24 Thank you.

25 MS. JAMES:

1 Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

3 Thank you very much. Okay, Members.
4 We have moved back to proposed settlement. Today
5 we have Aaron's Investment, Incorporated, doing
6 business as Aaron's.

7 MS. McINTYRE:

8 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Board
9 Members. I'm Assistant Attorney General
10 Taliba McIntyre, here in the matter of the
11 settlement of Aaron's Investments, Incorporated,
12 doing business as Aaron's, which holds a Type 2
13 video draw poker gaming license.

14 This settlement addresses the late
15 submission of annual forms and fees that are
16 required to be submitted to the Division no later
17 than July 1 of each year. The licensee did not
18 submit the annual forms and fees until October 5,
19 2022, which gave rise to a violation of gaming
20 law.

21 The civil penalty contained in the
22 settlement is \$750, which is an amount that is
23 well-established for violations of this type. The
24 settlement has been signed by the hearing officer
25 and is now before the Board for final approval.

1 I would be happy to answer any
2 questions that anyone may have at this time.
3 Thank you.

4 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

5 So strictly late paperwork, late
6 fees?

7 MS. McINTYRE:

8 Yes.

9 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

10 Okay. \$750 settlement. Are there
11 any questions from the Board?

12 (NO RESPONSE)

13 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

14 If not I would entertain a motion to
15 approve the settlement.

16 MS. BERRY:

17 (Indicating)

18 MR. POOLE:

19 (Indicating)

20 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

21 Ms. Berry --

22 MR. JACKSON:

23 Second.

24 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

25 -- has moved to approve the

1 settlement, and Mr. Poole beat you to the punch,
2 Mr. Jackson. So --

3 MR. JACKSON:

4 Yes, sir.

5 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

6 -- we do have a -- we do have a
7 motion and a second. Is there any discussion? Is
8 there any opposition to that motion?

9 (NO RESPONSE)

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Hearing none, that motion carries.

12 Thank you very much --

13 MS. McINTYRE:

14 Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 -- for your work. Okay. Members,
17 last on the agenda, we have an appeal today of
18 Colten Belue. Good morning.

19 MR. BELUE:

20 Good morning.

21 MS. JOHNSON:

22 Good morning.

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Would you identify yourself for the
25 record?

1 MR. BELUE:

2 I'm Colten Belue.

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 Okay. And you are located where,
5 Mr. Belue?

6 MR. BELUE:

7 My address currently on my license is
8 1104 Featherston Road, Homer, Louisiana, but I am
9 currently in transition, moving to New Orleans,
10 where I just recently acquired a job at Mr. B's
11 Bistro, and I am currently living out of a hotel
12 in New Orleans -- well, Kenner.

13 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

14 Okay. Mr. Belue, we have an appeal.
15 You have requested an appeal for this -- for the
16 decision of the hearing officer. Let me remind
17 you that today in this appeal, you are not allowed
18 any new testimony that was not heard at the
19 hearing officer hearing. Is that understood, sir?

20 MR. BELUE:

21 Yes, sir.

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Yes. Those are Board rules, and your
24 attorney is very aware of those board rules. Is
25 your attorney here with you today?

1 MR. BELUE:

2 No, sir.

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 All right. You are now allowed to
5 proceed and make any comments you would like to
6 make before the Board.

7 MR. BELUE:

8 I didn't have anything prepared, but
9 from my understanding, I believe that the argument
10 is of my character and me personally. I believe I
11 am of good character, and I have had numerous
12 employments in the past, including David Wade
13 Correctional Center, where I was a corrections
14 officer for --

15 MS. JOHNSON:

16 Objection.

17 MR. BELUE:

18 -- three and a half years and --

19 MS. JOHNSON:

20 Objection.

21 MR. BELUE:

22 And --

23 MS. JOHNSON:

24 This is new information.

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 No new evidence, Mr. --

2 MR. BELUE:

3 In a nutshell, I've had many jobs
4 which I have withstained [sic] and done a good
5 job, and I continue to work hard and try my best.
6 And, I mean, the evidence that I recently got a
7 new job as well, I think that should suffice as --
8 that I'm a hard-working individual, and I try my
9 best to continue to work. And I would very much
10 like to continue to work at the casino where my
11 family is located, but with the lack of
12 opportunities in North Louisiana, I decided to
13 withdraw my retirement and look for a job in
14 New Orleans, and I found one within the first week
15 because I don't give up. So I have no further
16 comments.

17 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

18 Which casino -- which licensee were
19 you affiliated with at the time of your incident?

20 MR. BELUE:

21 Bally's Shreveport.

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Okay. Any questions for Mr. Belue
24 from the Board Members?

25 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

1 Okay. If you would like to proceed.

2 MS. JOHNSON:

3 Good morning, Chairman Johns, Board
4 Members. I am Assistant Attorney General
5 Venise Johnson, here on behalf of the Division in
6 this matter.

7 On March 14, 2022, Mr. Belue was
8 arrested by the Shreveport Police Department for
9 violating Louisiana Revised Statute 14:35.3(L),
10 Battery of a Dating Partner (Strangulation).

11 MR. BELUE:

12 And I object because this is the same
13 evidence that has been presented.

14 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

15 Mr. Belue, it's not new evidence.
16 Okay? The new -- the rules -- the rules are that
17 you, as the appellant, cannot offer new evidence
18 today that you did not present at the board
19 meeting. So the lady at the table is just
20 presenting what the facts of the case are.

21 MR. BELUE:

22 Yes, sir.

23 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

24 Okay. By the way, I'm not a judge;
25 so . . .

1 MS. JOHNSON:

2 Battery of a Dating Partner

3 (Strangulation) is a crime of violence that is
4 punishable by more than one year of imprisonment,
5 and Louisiana Revised Statute 14:56, Simple
6 Property Damage. On May 4, 2022, the hearing
7 officer sustained the immediate emergency
8 suspension.

9 On July 27, 2022, a revocation
10 hearing was held, where evidence and testimony was
11 presented showing that the charges are still
12 pending against the applicant and that he engaged
13 in unsuitable conduct or practices. On August 17,
14 2022, the hearing officer issued a decision and
15 ordered that the permit of Mr. Belue be revoked
16 due to a finding of unsuitability, disqualifying
17 him from possessing a non-key gaming employee
18 permit. Mr. Belue timely requested an appeal.

19 On November 17, 2022, this matter
20 came before this Honorable Board and was remanded
21 due to the appellant alleging that there was new
22 evidence regarding his criminal charges. On
23 January 4, 2023, the administrative hearing was
24 held, where Mr. Belue's counsel presented evidence
25 showing that on September 26, 2022, Mr. Belue pled

1 guilty to count one, Domestic Abuse Battery, which
2 is a misdemeanor.

3 On February 2, 2023, the hearing
4 officer issued a decision which acknowledged the
5 guilty plea and ordered Mr. Belue's permit be
6 revoked due to his failure to establish the
7 necessary suitability to possess a non-key gaming
8 employee permit under Louisiana gaming law. The
9 hearing officer stated that the mere reduction of
10 the charges does not negate the violent actions of
11 Mr. Belue that led to his arrest on March 14,
12 2022, and those actions are relevant in reaching a
13 determination of whether the permittee satisfied
14 the burden of proving qualifications under
15 Louisiana Revised Statute 27:28. The appellant
16 timely requested an appeal, which brings us here
17 today.

18 In the interest of maintaining
19 consistency and fairness amongst all permittees,
20 the Division and this Honorable Board are bound by
21 gaming law in matters such as this. The law
22 requires permittees to be found suitable and
23 maintain suitability throughout the term of the
24 permit. The base standards of suitability are
25 statutorily defined in part in Louisiana Revised

1 Statute 27:28(A)(1), (2), (3), and (4).

2 Mr. Belue's attorney argued that the
3 hearing officer used the wrong burden of proof
4 when evaluating the matter. He stated that the
5 burden should be on the Division to prove when --
6 hold on. I'm sorry. He stated that the burden
7 should be on the Division to prove that the
8 permittee is guilty beyond a reasonable doubt;
9 however, because it is administrative in nature,
10 the burden of proof in gaming is quite different
11 than in criminal law.

12 Gaming law follows the Administrative
13 Procedure Act. The burdens are different because
14 gaming, unlike criminal, is not about any
15 constitutional or vested right. It is not about
16 lack or loss of freedom or any other
17 constitutional protected right. It deals solely
18 with the revocation -- it deals solely with a
19 revocable privilege for which the Board and gaming
20 law are the sole authorities.

21 The burden of proof in the gaming
22 industry is by clear and convincing evidence.
23 Louisiana Revised Statute 27:28(A) establishes
24 that the burden lies with the permittee to prove
25 that he is suitable to possess a gaming permit,

1 and Louisiana Revised Statute 27:28(F) goes on to
2 state that all permittees who have been found
3 suitable by the Board or Division shall maintain
4 suitability throughout the term of the permit;
5 thus the burden is on Mr. Belue to prove his
6 continued suitability by clear and convincing
7 evidence. At the January 4, 2023, administrative
8 hearing, Mr. Belue failed to do this. He only
9 established that he pled guilty to a lesser
10 charge.

11 Mr. Belue's attorney argued that the
12 hearing officer should not have considered the
13 arrest allegations due to the plea of a lesser
14 offense. It is important to note that Louisiana
15 Revised Statute 27:28(D) is clear in that it
16 allows the hearing officer to consider the facts
17 surrounding the arrest which determines
18 suitability even if the arrest, charge, or
19 indictment result in acquittal, deferred
20 adjudication, probation, parole, or pardon.
21 Regardless of Mr. Belue's charge being reduced due
22 to a plea to a lesser offense, the hearing officer
23 may consider the actions that led to the arrest
24 which determine suitability.

25 In this case there was testimony from

1 the arresting officer that established that
2 Mr. Belue's actions which led to the arrest were
3 violent. He strangled his girlfriend, had to be
4 pulled off of her, and broke a window pane in an
5 attempt to pursue her further. These violent
6 actions are in direct contradiction with the
7 gaming industry's duty to protect the public.

8 Because participation in the gaming
9 industry is a privilege, not a right, the industry
10 is strictly regulated. The Board and Division
11 have a great responsibility to ensure integrity
12 and safety. Mr. Belue's violent behaviors,
13 actions, and unsuitable conduct show that he poses
14 a threat to the public interest of this state and
15 the effective regulation of gaming. The State's
16 responsibility is to protect the public and the
17 gaming industry; therefore, having an individual
18 who has demonstrated violent behavior working in a
19 gaming establishment undermines this objective.

20 Additionally, I would like to remind
21 this Honorable Board that the hearing officer has
22 heard this case twice and made her decisions after
23 considering all of the facts, evidence and
24 testimony, and the credibility of the witnesses,
25 including the testimony of the arresting officer,

1 and not just the pleadings or the issue of a DA's
2 reducing -- of a DA who reduced the charges to get
3 a guilty plea.

4 Based on the aforementioned reasons,
5 the Division respectfully requests that this
6 Honorable Board affirm the hearing officer's
7 decision to revoke Mr. Belue's permit and its
8 finding that he failed to establish the necessary
9 suitability to possess a non-key gaming employee
10 permit under Louisiana gaming law.

11 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

12 So, Members, may I remind you that we
13 heard this initial appeal many months ago and that
14 we, as a Board, agreed to remand this back to the
15 hearing officer for a second hearing; so Mr. Belue
16 and his attorney were given the opportunity to
17 present their case as to the suitability, and
18 their obligation under our gaming law is to prove
19 the suitability of Mr. Belue being able to hold a
20 gaming license. And it's my understanding and as
21 I've read the decision, that the hearing officer,
22 Judge Ponder, for a second time, has recommended
23 that Mr. Belue is not suitable to hold a gaming
24 license under our standards. Is that -- am I --

25 MS. JOHNSON:

1 MR. BELUE:

2 I would like to reapply when I am
3 eligible.

4 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

5 Okay. That you will be able to do so
6 at the appropriate time according to what our laws
7 are. Okay?

8 So, Members, we have before us a
9 decision by Judge Ponder. Do I have a motion to
10 affirm Judge Ponder's position?

11 MS. LEWIS:

12 So moved.

13 MR. JACKSON:

14 Second.

15 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

16 Ms. Lewis has made a motion that we
17 uphold the hearing officer's decision, and
18 Mr. Jackson has seconded that motion. Is there
19 any discussion on the motion? Is there any
20 objection to that motion?

21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

23 Hearing none, the hearing officer's
24 decision has been affirmed. Mr. Belue, good luck
25 to you in wherever life takes you, and you're

1 surely welcome at the appropriate time to reapply
2 for a license. Thank you for being here today.

3 MR. BELUE:

4 Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

6 Thank you, Attorney General's Office,
7 for your work.

8 MS. JOHNSON:

9 Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

11 Okay. Members, the agenda is clear.
12 Let me remind everyone that the next meeting,
13 June 15, we will be back in the State Capitol.
14 The public will be able to watch us once again.
15 And is there any other business to come before the
16 Board?

17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 IX. ADJOURNMENT

19 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

20 Hearing none, Mr. Jackson has moved
21 to adjourn, and --

22 MR. POOLE:

23 (Indicating)

24 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

25 -- Mr. Poole has seconded that

1 motion. Is there any opposition?

2 (NO RESPONSE)

3 CHAIRMAN JOHNS:

4 Hearing none, we are hereby
5 adjourned. Thank you very much, Members, and to
6 those that joined us today, thank you for being
7 here with us.

8 (PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED AT 11:16 A.M.)

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