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Gaming Control Board

HILLARY J. CRAIN CHAIRMAN

IN RE: CATFISH TOWN PARTNERSHIP IN COMMENDUM D/B/A ARGOSY CASINO-BATON ROUGE NO. RGS000256

# **ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of September 18, 2001. The Hearing Officer's order dated September 5, 2001, based on the "Joint Motion for Entry of Stipulations and Approval of Proposed Settlement" in the matter of "Notice of Violation and Penalty," by and between Catfish Town Partnership in Commendum d/b/a Argosy Casino-Baton Rouge, No. R011700009, and the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, Casino Gaming Division, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is **APPROVED**.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the Aday of September, 2001.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:

IIILARY J. CRAIN, CHAIRMAN

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# ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE

IN RE: CATFISH TOWN
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ARGOSY CASINO – BATON ROUGE

LIC. NO.: R011700009

**RGS 000256** 

# JOINT MOTION FOR ENTRY OF STIPULATIONS AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

# ON THE JOINT MOTION OF:

- 1. The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, Casino Gaming Division ("Division"), and
- 2. Catfish Town Partnership In Commendum d/b/a/Argosy Casino Baton Rouge ("Argosy"),

who respectfully represent the following:

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. On June 30, 2000, during an inspection of the reserve hopper fill process, agents of the Division discovered that on two consecutive days, June 29, 2000 and June 30, 2000, hopper reserve bags were left unattended on Argosy's gaming floor;
- 2. Pursuant to this information, the Division issued Notice of Violation and Penalty RGS0000256 on or about May 21, 2001, alleging violations of LAC 42:XIII.2715(A)(1) and (3);
- 3. Upon the request of Argosy, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board issued a Notice of Hearing docketing the matter for September 5, 2001;

The Division and Argosy have had the occasion to review the facts and circumstances attendant to the violations and agree and stipulate as follows:

Representative

- 1. Argosy agrees that it was in violation of LAC 42:XIII.2715(A)(1) in that hopper fill bags were left unattended on the gaming floor on June 29, 2000 and June 30, 2000.
- 2. Argosy agrees that it was in violation of LAC 42:XIII.2715(A)(3) in that Surveillance was not actively observing the fill when the hopper fill bags were left unattended on the gaming floor on June 29, 2000 and June 30, 2000.
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing stipulations, the Division and Argosy hereby propose the following settlement:
- 1. Argosy agrees to submit within thirty (30) days an amendment to its Internal Controls which mandates that all personnel, including surveillance and security personnel, whose duties include hopper reserve/hopper fill responsibilities, receive mandatory, annual, on-site re-training which shall include physical participation in the proper execution of their duties and procedures as a component of the retraining. The first such training session is to occur prior to December 31, 2001. Detailed documentation of the retraining session(s) is to be maintained in each employee's file and a copy forwarded to the Division. The documentation shall include the specific processes covered, the materials or equipment used, and the name of the instructor and participants.
- 2. Additionally, each employee shall be issued a copy of all applicable Internal Controls. Documentation of the issuance and receipt of the Internal Controls shall be maintained in the employee's file with a copy forwarded to the Division.
- 3. Argosy has already added more detailed Internal Controls governing the initial hopper fill process and in consideration of this and the implementation of a mandatory re-training program, the Division hereby agrees to accept Argosy's payment of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) in full and final settlement of Notice of Violation and Penalty RGS0000256.
- 4. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration these violations in connection with any future violation.
- 5. The form and substance of this settlement are to be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.
- 6. This settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the Division and Argosy pertaining to the subject matter contained, herein, and supercedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations, and understandings of the parties.

- 7. This settlement is subject to approval by the Hearing Officer of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board; it is expressly understood that if this proposed settlement is approved by the Hearing Officer, this agreement is not executory and will be submitted to the Board for its determination as to whether the matter should be heard by the Hearing Officer, if approved, however, payment of the above penalties must be submitted to the Division within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement by the Board.
- 8. The failure of Argosy to submit the above penalty within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement by the Board shall result in the suspension of its license.
- 9. The Division and the Argosy waive their rights to appeal this settlement if the Order is signed by the Hearing Officer and accepted by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

CATFISH TOWN

PARTNERSHIP IN COMMENDUM

d/b/2 ARGOSY CASINO - BATON ROUGE

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# ORDER

CONSIDERING the foregoing Joint Motion For Entry of Stipulations, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that such proposed settlement be approved, to wit:

- IT IS ORDERED that the foregoing Joint Motion and Stipulation of 1. Facts be accepted, approved and entered into the record of this proceeding;
- 2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the admission of Argosy to the Division regarding violation of LAC 42:XIII.2715(A)(1) and LAC 42:XIII.2715(A)(3) be accepted;
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Argosy submit the required Internal 3 Control amendment(s) within thirty (30) days.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the initial re-training session be held 4. prior to December 31, 2001.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Catfish Town Partnership In 5. Commendum d/b/a Argosy Casino - Baton Rouge shall pay, as civil penalty to the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, Casino Gaming, the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) within fifteen days of approval of this settlement by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED this \_ 54 2001 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED COPY HAS BEEN MAILED OR SERVED ON DOCKET CLERK, ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE

Lt. George Dean

BATON ROUGE, LA

William H. BroAVTRUE COPY ATTEST

Hearing LOUISMANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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HEARING OFFICE