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Gaming Control Board

H. CHARLES GAUDIN CHAIRMAN

# IN RE: HI-TECH GAMES, INC. D/B/A DIXIE PHONOGRAPH NO. 2801607701

# **ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of May 16, 2007. The Hearing Officer's order dated April 25, 2007, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action," No. 2801607701, by and between Hi-Tech Games, Inc. d/b/a Dixie Phonograph, and the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is **APPROVED**.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 16th day of May, 2007.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:

H. CHARLES GAUDIN, CHAIRMAN

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IN RE: HI-TECH GAMES, INC. d/b/a DIXIE PHONOGRAPH No. 2801607701

JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:

COME NOW State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police ("the Division") and Hi-Tech Games, Inc. d/b/a/ Dixie Phonograph (hereinafter "Licensee"), who file this Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and in support thereof would respectively show unto the Hearing Officer as follows:

1.

The Division and Licensee are desirous of compromising and settling all disputes between them relative to the referenced administrative proceeding. In connection therewith, the parties have entered into a Compromise and Settlement Agreement which by its terms will become effective upon approval by the Administrative Hearing Office and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

2.

A true and correct copy of the proposed Compromise and Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference for all purposes.

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, The Division and Licensee respectfully request that this Honorable Administrative Hearing Officer approve the parties' Compromise and Settlement Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,

HI-TECH GAMES, INC. d/b/a DIXIE PHONOGRAPH

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COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter "the Division") and Hi-Tech Games, Inc. d/b/a/ Dixie Phonograph (hereinafter "Licensee") do hereby represent and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board has issued a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to Licensee alleging certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law; and

WHEREAS, the issues raised by the said Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action are set for hearing on April 25, 2007, before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office; and

WHEREAS, the Division and Licensee are desirous of fully and finally compromising and settling all issues and disputes arising out of and in connection with the said Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto do hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

### **STIPULATIONS**

- 1. Ms. Brandy Melancon is an employee of the Licensee, and was an employee of the Licensee during the years 2005 and 2006.
- 2. Ms. Brandy Melancon, as an employee of, and on behalf of, the Licensee, assisted in the preparation of a Type 1 Video Gaming License Application for Donald Creduer d/b/a Bridge Bar.
- 3. Ms. Brandy Melancon intentionally altered the date on the Bill of Sale between the previous owner of Bridge Bar and Mr. Donald Credeur that was submitted to the Division on August 31, 2006, as a supporting document to the Type 1 Video Gaming License Application of Donald Creduer d/b/a Bridge Bar.
- 4. On September 26, 2006, Ms. Brandy Melancon verbally admitted to the Division that she intentionally altered the date on the Bill of Sale prior to submitting it to the Division during an active investigation saying that she wanted to get the machines turned back on at Bridge Bar in a timely manner.
- 5. On September 29, 2006, Ms. Brandy Melancon issued a written statement to the Division admitting to the intentional alteration of the Bill of Sale, and the submission of the altered Bill of Sale to the Division during an active investigation, stating that she wanted to get the machines turned back on in a timely manner.
- 6. The Licensee admits to having violated LAC 42:XI.2405 (A)(15), LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(1), LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(2)(c), and LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(5), when its employee intentionally altered the Bill of Sale and submitted the altered Bill of Sale to the Division during an active investigation.
- 7. The Licensee further declares to the Division that it will institute a double review policy regarding Ms. Brandy Melancon's work product. Meaning, Ms. Brandy Melancon will be precluded from submitting any documents to the Division until the documents are first reviewed and approved by one of her superiors. This policy shall remain in effect throughout the remainder of her employment with the Licensee.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The Licensee will pay a civil penalty of SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$7,000.00) for violating LAC 42:XI.2405 (A)(15), LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(1), LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(2)(c), and LAC 42:XI.2417 (B)(5).
- 2. The Division hereby agrees to accept the Licensee's payment of the above stated penalty in full and final settlement of the Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action issued on February 22, 2007.
- 3. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration these admitted violations in connection with any future investigation, violation or assessment of penalty, and in connection with any future assessments of the Licensee's suitability.
- 4. The terms of this Compromise and Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.
- 5. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Division and Licensee, regarding the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations and understandings of the parties.
- 6. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement is subject to approval by the Hearing Officer and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. It is expressly understood that if this proposed settlement is approved by the Hearing Officer, this agreement is not thereby executory, but will be submitted to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board for its determination as to whether to approve the same or to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for a full hearing on the merits. Failure to pay the penalty within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement shall result in the immediate suspension of HI-TECH GAMES, INC., d/b/a DIXIE PHONOGRAPH'S license without the necessity of further administrative action, until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

I have read this entire Compromise and Settlement Agreement and agree to all stipulations and terms and conditions hereof.

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Michael M. Tyler, AAG on behalf of

State of housina Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Office of State Police

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## **ORDER**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2007, came on for consideration the Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the parties having appeared by and through their respective attorneys of record, and the Hearing Officer having considered the pleadings on file, the proposed Settlement Agreement, and the said Motion, and it appearing to the Hearing Officer that the said Compromise and Settlement Agreement should be approved; it is, therefore,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Compromise and Settlement Agreement attached to the parties' Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement be, and the same is hereby, APPROVED.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2007, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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Honorable William H. Brown HEARING OFFICER

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