

## State of Louisiana Gaming Control Board

KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO GOVERNOR H. CHARLES GAUDIN CHAIRMAN

# IN RE: CATFISH QUEEN PARTNERSHIP IN COMMENDAM D/B/A BELLE OF BATON ROUGE NO. CGD050225

#### **ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of August 15, 2006. The Hearing Officer's order dated July 19, 2006, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action," Violation No. CGD050225, by and between Catfish Queen Partnership In Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge, License No. R011700009, 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 \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 2006.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:

H. CHARLES GAUDIN, CHAIRMAN

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RE: CATFISH QUEEN PARTNERSHIP IN COMMENDAM D/B/A BELLE OF BATON ROUGE

NO. CGD050225

### JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

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#### TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:

COME NOW State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter the "Division") and Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge (hereinafter "Belle of Baton Rouge"), 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 Belle of Baton Rouge 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 Belle of Baton Rouge respectfully request that this Honorable Administrative Hearing Officer approve the parties' Compromise and Settlement Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge (hereinafter "Belle of Baton Rouge") do hereby represent and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board has issued a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to Belle of Baton Rouge 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 July 19, 2006, before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office; and

WHEREAS, the Division and Belle of Baton Rouge 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. On or about March 7, 2005, Division agents sent an advisory notice to the predecessor in title to Belle of Baton Rouge informing that casino advertising billboards must post the "1-800 Problem Gambling" hotline number (the "Hotline Number").

- 2. On April 15, 2005, the Division began enforcing the Advisory Notice. On or about April 25, 2005, a Division agent traveled to the following billboard locations and determined that the Hotline Number was shown on the billboards. The Division agent determined that the Hotline Number was not posted in a manner such that a reasonable man could read it at normal highway speeds:
  - a) I-110 at Government
  - b) I-12 .62 miles west of Range
  - c) I-12 .3 miles east of I-55
  - d) I-10 .4 miles east of Essen
  - e) I-10 at Louise Street
  - f) I-110 at Plank
- 3. On or about April 25, 2005, the Division agent also traveled to the I-10 2.5 3.5 miles west of Hwy 415 billboard location and determined that this location did not have the Hotline Number posted on the billboard.
- 4. On December 27, 2005, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board issued a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to Belle of Baton Rouge alleging certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Belle of Baton Rouge agrees to pay to the Division the aggregate and complete sum of THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 (\$3,500.00) DOLLARS.
- 2. The Division hereby agrees to accept Belle of Baton Rouge's payment of the above stated amount in full and final settlement of this Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action.
- 3. The terms of this Compromise and Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

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4. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement

between the Division and Belle of Baton Rouge, pertaining to the subject matter contained herein

and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations and understandings of

the parties.

5. 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 same or to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for a full hearing on the merits.

Failure to pay THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 (\$3,500.00) DOLLARS

within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement shall result in the immediate suspension of

Belle of Baton Rouge's license.

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

and conditions hereof.

J. Kelly Duncan, Duly Authorized Representative

of Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a

Belle of Baton Rouge

Christopher B. Hebert, AAG on behalf of

State of Louisiana

Department of Public Safety & Corrections,

Office of State Police

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day of July, 2006, came on for consideration BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 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 July, 2006, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED

WILLIAM H. BROWN HEARING OFFICER

A TRUE COPY ATTEST LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BATON ROUGE, LA