



State of Louisiana
Gaming Control Board

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DANE K. MORGAN
CHAIRMAN

**IN RE: THE UNITED STATES PLAYING CARD COMPANY
NO. P066500042**


ORDER

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of July 21, 2009. The Hearing Officer's order dated June 29, 2009, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action" No. P066500042, by and between The United States Playing Card Company, 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 21st day of July, 2009.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:


DANE K. MORGAN, CHAIRMAN

DKM/gac

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED
COPY HAS BEEN MAILED OR SERVED ON
ALL PARTIES THIS 22ND DAY
OF July 2009
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**STATE OF LOUISIANA
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE**

**IN RE: THE UNITED STATES
PLAYING CARD COMPANY**

CASE NO. P066500042

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

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:

COMES NOW the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (the "Division") and The United States Playing Card Company (sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Permittee"), 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 Permittee are desirous of compromising and settling all matters relative to this 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.

[Handwritten signature]
THE UNITED STATES
PLAYING CARD COMPANY
By: _____
Title: _____
Louisiana Gaming Control Board

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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EXHIBIT "A"

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
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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 The United States Playing Card Company (sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Permittee") do hereby represent and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2008, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board issued a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to The United States Playing Card Company, alleging certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law; and

WHEREAS, the issues raised by said Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action are set for hearing on June 29, 2009, before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office; and

WHEREAS, the Division and Permittee are desirous of fully and finally compromising and settling all issues and disputes arising out of and in connection with 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 July 18, 2008, the Division was notified by Harrah's Casino that un-cancelled playing cards manufactured by the Permittee for Harrah's (hereinafter, the "Playing Cards") were being sold on the Internet through an online auction site.
2. The Playing Cards being sold were two (2) decks of gold and (12) decks of green playing cards.
3. On or about July 18, 2008, the Division conducted an investigation of this matter that revealed that The United States Playing Card Company sold the Playing Cards to a third-party vendor without the authorization of Harrah's Casino and the Division.
4. On or about July 19, 2008, a representative of The United States Playing Card Company informed the Division that the Playing Cards had been removed from sale on the online auction website.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

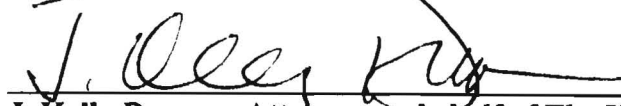
1. The United States Playing Card Company will pay a civil penalty of FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS and No/100 (\$4,000.00), in satisfaction of the alleged violations of the Louisiana Gaming Control Law.
2. The Division hereby agrees to accept Permittee's payment of the above stated penalty in full and final settlement of the Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action that was issued on December 15, 2008.
3. The United States Playing Card Company is precluded from disposing of any Division approved gaming device and/or gaming equipment without the express written authorization of the Division.
4. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration the foregoing stipulations and terms and conditions in connection with any future investigations, violations, or assessments of a penalty.

5. The terms of this Compromise and Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

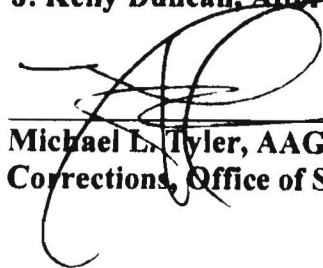
6. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Division and Permittee regarding the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations, and understandings of the parties.

7. 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 The United States Playing Card Company's permit without the necessity of further administrative action, until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

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



J. Kelly Duncan, Attorney on behalf of The United States Playing Card Company



Michael L. Tyler, AAG on behalf of State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Office of State Police

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ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this the 29th day of June, 2009, came on for consideration the Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the Hearing Officer having considered the pleadings on file, the proposed Settlement Agreement, and 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** that the Permittee must pay Four Thousand Dollars and No/100 (\$4,000.00) to the Division within fifteen (15) days of the approval by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Failure to do so shall result in the immediate suspension of the permit of The United States Playing Card Company without the necessity of any further administrative action until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 29th day of June, 2009, in
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.


HEARING OFFICER

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED
COPY HAS BEEN MAILED AND DELIVERED ON
THIS 29th DAY OF June, 2009
BY Jill Danyze
CLERK, ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE
cc: J. Kelly Duncan
Michael Tyler
Sgt. Lowell Sibley

A TRUE COPY ATTEST
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
HEARING OFFICE
BATON ROUGE, LA 6/29/09
Jill Danyze
BY: CLERK