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# IN RE: METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO. D/B/A METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO. NO. 2601600152

# **ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of May 19, 2025. The Hearing Officer's order dated April 16, 2025, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action", by and between, Metro Gaming Amusement Co. d/b/a Metro Gaming Amusement Co. No. 2601600152, 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 19th day of May, 2025.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE

METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO. IN RE: D/B/A METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO. CASE NO.: 2601600152

# JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

# TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:

NOW COME the Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division (hereinafter, the "Division") and Metro Gaming Amusement Co. d/b/a Metro Gaming Amusement Co. (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:

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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.

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

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IN RE: METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO. D/B/A METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO.

CASE NO.: 2601600152

# COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division (hereinafter, the "Division") and Metro Gaming Amusement Co. d/b/a Metro Gaming Amusement Co. (hereinafter, "Licensee"), do hereby represent and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board has sent a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to Licensee, which Notice contains allegations of certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law; and

WHEREAS, the issues raised by said Notice were set for hearing before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office on July 31, 2024; 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 said Notice;

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

#### STIPULATIONS

- t. Licensee holds a Type 6 video draw poker gaming license and is located at 1800 Lafayette St., Gretna, LA 70053.
- 2. Grand's Palace Casino, LLC d/b/a Kenner Airport Casino (hereinafter, "Grand's Palace Casino") holds a Type 5 video draw poker gaming license and is located at 181 W. Airline Hwy., Kenner LA 70062. Licensee owns the video draw poker devices located at Grand's Palace Casino's truck stop facility and employs two individuals as certified technicians at the facility.
- 3. On June 15, 2022, the Division conducted a video gaming compliance inspection of Grand's Palace Casino's truck stop facility and discovered numerous violations of gaming law.
- 4. During the Division's compliance inspection, it discovered that the Licensee and Grand's Palace Casino allowed two employees with expired certified technician permits and one non-permitted employee to access the video draw poker machines located at the establishment without possessing valid certified technician permits, respectively, in violation of La. R.S. 27:445 and LAC 42.XI.2407(B)(2).
- 5. Specifically, two employees with expired certified technician permits and one non-permitted employee conducted drops and signed drop sheets 179 times in violation of LAC 42:XI.2413(E)(1).
- 6. Additionally, an employee with an expired certified technician permit made 21 logbook entries in violation of LAC 42:XI.2413(E)(6).
- 7. Licensee failed to supervise employees as they worked without certified technician permits, accessed gaming devices, made logbook entries, conducted drops and signed drop sheets in violation of LAC 42:X1.2407(A)(4).

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- In lieu of administrative action, Licensee will pay a penalty of NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE and 00/100 (\$9,925.00) DOLLARS for violations of La. R.S. 27:445(A), LAC 42:XI.2407(A)(4), LAC 42:XI.2407(B)(2), LAC 42:XI.2413(E)(1), LAC 42:XI.2413(E)(6), LAC 42:XI.2417(A)(1), and LAC 42:XI.2417(A)(3).
- 2. The Division hereby agrees that payment of a total penalty of NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE and 00/100 (\$9,925.00) DOLLARS shall be in full and final settlement of all matters set forth in the Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action.
- 3. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration this admitted violation in connection with any future investigation, violation or assessment of penalty and in connection with any future assessments of 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, pertaining to 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 same or to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for a full hearing on the merits.
- 7. If approved, Licensee agrees to make full payment of the civil penalty within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Licensee agrees

that failure to meet this requirement shall result in immediate suspension of the gaming license without the necessity of any 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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IN RE:

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D/B/A METRO GAMING AMUSEMENT CO.

CASE NO.: 2601600152

ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 14 day of April consideration the Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the parties having appeared by and through their respective attorneys of record or representing themselves, and the Hearing Officer having considered the pleadings on file, the proposed Compromise and 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 HEREBY 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 Metro Gaming Amusement Co. d/b/a Metro Gaming Amusement Co. must pay NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE and 00/100 (\$9,925.00) DOLLARS to the Division within fifteen (15) days of approval by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Failure to do so shall result in the immediate suspension of the gaming license without the necessity of any further administrative action until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 16th day of \_\_\_\_\_ Rouge, Louisiana.

HEARING OFFICER