

PA Gaming Control Board Levies \$280,825 in Fines

HARRISBURG, PA: The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PGCB) approved three consent agreements during its public meeting today that resulted in a total of \$280,825 in fines for two gaming operators.

Two of the approved consent agreements, producing fines of \$160,000 and \$100,825, were the result of negotiations between the Office of Enforcement Counsel (OEC) and Mount Airy #1 LLC, operator of the Mount Airy Casino Resort in Monroe County. The third fine of \$20,000 was the result of negotiations between OEC and Pilot Travel Centers LLC and PJF Southeast LLC, operator of two Video Gaming Terminal (VGT) establishments.

Copies of the approved Consent Agreements offering more details on these matters is available upon request through the PGCB's Office of Communications.

DETAILS

The larger fine of \$160,000 against Mount Airy #1 LLC was the result of three instances in which individuals under the legal gambling age of 21 gained access to the casino floor and gambled:

- An 18-year-old male who gambled at two different slot machines;
- An 11-year-old female who gambled at 10 different slot machines while both parents were present with her and cashed two vouchers; and,
- Two 13-year-old females who gambled at slot machines with their mother.

The second fine of \$100,825 stemmed from the failure of Mount Airy #1 LLC to timely file a total of 32 corporate or individual renewal applications by the statutorily mandated due dates. Additionally, the failure to gain re-licensing of one individual led to the failure to meet a mandated condition connected to Mount Airy #1 LLC's slot machine license.

The fine of \$20,000 levied against Pilot Travel Center LLC and PFJ Southeast LLC was the result of a failure to notify the PGCB of a change in control of its VGT Establishment's license and to have a principal owner licensed. The entity has two VGT Establishments both operating five machines.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 19, 2022 in the PGCB's Public Hearing Room located on the second floor of the Strawberry Square Complex in Harrisburg.

About the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is tasked to oversee all aspects of gambling involving 16 land-based casinos, online casino games, retail and online sports wagering, and Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs) at qualified truck stops, along with the regulation of online fantasy sports contests.

The land-based casino industry in Pennsylvania consists of six racetrack (Category 1) casinos, five stand-alone (Category 2) casinos, two resort (Category 3) casinos and three mini-casinos (Category 4). Casino expansion will continue over the next couple of years with the anticipated openings of up to two additional Category 4 casinos. A significant job generator in the Commonwealth, casinos and the other types of Board-regulated gaming generated over \$2 billion in tax revenue during the 2021/2022 State Fiscal Year.

Additional information about both the PGCB's gaming regulatory efforts and Pennsylvania's gaming industry can be found at <u>https://gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov</u>. You can also follow the agency on Twitter by choosing **@PAGamingControl**.

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