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PA Gaming Control Board to Hold Public Input Hearing on May 6th for Stadium Casino License Renewal

Public is welcome and invited to participate

HARRISBURG: The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 6, 2019 to gather evidence, including public comment, on the renewal of the Category 2 Slot Machine Operator's license for Stadium Casino, LLC which is constructing the Live! Casino in Philadelphia.

The hearing will begin at 3:00 p.m. at Penn State at The Navy Yard, 1101 Kitty Hawk Ave., Building 7R, Philadelphia, PA 19112.

Complete information on the hearing, including links to sign up to present oral comment at the hearing or to provide written comment prior to the hearing, is on the Board's web site, www.gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov, under its Quick Links section of the home page. The deadline for registration to speak at this hearing is noon on Friday, May 3, 2019.

Written comments can also be or e-mailed to <u>boardclerk@pa.gov</u>, or mailed with a postmark no later than Friday, May 3, 2019 to:

PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106 Attention: Board Clerk

Pursuant to section 1326 of the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act, all licenses shall be subject to renewal every five years. The renewal application must include an update of the information since its last renewal.

To implement the renewal requirement, the Board utilizes a two-step process:

- First, the May 6th public hearing will be held before the Director of the PGCB's
 Office of Hearings and Appeals for the purpose of receiving documentary evidence,
 hearing testimony and building a record upon which the Board will base its licensing
 decision. The hearing record, along with a report from the Director of Hearings and
 Appeals, will be transmitted to the Board.
- The second step is to hold a separate public hearing in Harrisburg at a later date where Stadium Casino, LLC representatives will offer oral arguments and Board members can ask additional questions.

At the renewal hearing, the burden is on the renewal applicant to establish and demonstrate, by clear and convincing evidence, its eligibility and suitability for renewal of the gaming license awarded in November 2014.

Following these proceedings, the Board will then be able to determine whether the licensee remains eligible and suitable consistent with the laws of the Commonwealth and are otherwise qualified to have the license renewed for a five-year period.

All questions that are not press-related should be referred to the PGCB's Office of Hearings and Appeals at (717) 265-7451.

About the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board:

The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is tasked to oversee all aspects of the state's casino industry, including sports wagering offered currently at eight locations. The oversight also includes other new gaming initiatives, expected to be launched in the coming months, which were created through Act 42 of 2017, an amendment to the Race Horse Development and Gaming Act.

The Commonwealth's casino industry currently consists of 10 stand-alone and racetrack casinos in operation, along with the two smaller resort casinos. These facilities collectively employ over 16,000 people and annually generate approximately \$1.4 billion in tax revenue from slot machine and table games play. The largest portion of that money is used for property tax reduction to Pennsylvania homeowners.

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

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