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Fantasy Contests Firm Fined By PA Gaming Control Board

HARRISBURG, PA: The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PGCB) today fined Fantasy Sports Games, LLC for offering unauthorized Fantasy Sports Contests.

The fine of \$7,500 was the result of Board approval at its public meeting of a consent agreement between the PGCB's Office of Enforcement Counsel and Fantasy Sports Games, LLC.

The fine was assessed because Fantasy Sports Games, LLC accepted fantasy contest entries from May 2018 until they began the application process to obtain a license in Pennsylvania in February 2019. Under the Gaming Expansion Act of 2017, operators who offered this type of gaming to Pennsylvanians were mandated to be licensed or be an applicant through the PGCB beginning in May 2018.

This was the first fine levied by the PGCB against a firm offering Fantasy Sports Contests.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 16, 2021. The Board will announce prior to that date whether the meeting will be held online or 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 at 14 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 one mini-casino (Category 4). Casino expansion will continue over the next couple of years with the anticipated openings of up to four additional Category 4 casinos. A significant job generator in the Commonwealth, casinos and the other types of Board-regulated gaming annually generate over \$1.5 billion in tax revenue.

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