

Commission Approves Rulemaking Petition

The Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission on October 19 accepted a petition to commence rulemaking filed by Penn Bullwhackers, Inc. The petition asserts existing gaming regulations should be amended so as to “not qualify (a ticket redemption kiosk) as a component of a slot machine if it is physically attached to and operates as part of a piece of gaming equipment, other than a slot machine.” The intent of the proposed rule change suggested in the petition is to allow an automated teller machine to be placed in the same housing as a ticket redemption kiosk, because a kiosk would no longer be considered a component part of a slot machine.

The Division of Gaming, which did not oppose the petition, is working on alternative proposed rule language and will commence the rulemaking process when that language is complete. Under the schedule for the rulemaking process, the earliest a hearing on the issue can be held is January 2007.

Commission Action

At its meeting on October 19 in Lakewood, the Commission:

- Renewed the retail licenses of The Eureka! Ltd., The Famous Bonanza Casino Corp., Easy Street Casino and Riviera Black Hawk Casino
- Renewed the manufacturer/distributor license of NRT Technology Corp.

Casinos Harvest Bountiful AGP

Colorado casinos harvested increased revenues in September. Gaming establishments statewide produced \$69.7 million in AGP in September, a 1.5 percent increase from \$68.7 million in AGP in August and a 9.6 percent jump from \$63.6 million in September 2005. Black Hawk’s 21 casinos generated \$48.6 million in AGP in September; Cripple Creek’s 19 casinos, \$14.0 million; and Central City’s seven casinos, \$7.0 million, up 24.7 percent from \$5.6 million in September 2005. Casinos statewide paid \$8.3 million in gaming taxes in September.

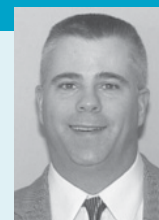
MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

If you were to review the Gaming Commission agendas over the past few months, you would find a large number of disciplinary actions involving casino employees with support licenses. Most of these disciplinary actions involved either the failure to notify the Division of an arrest or the failure to remain current on government obligations.

Before we issue a support license badge, we require the licensee to sign a statement of understanding that clearly outlines the person’s obligations as a licensee, including the regulatory requirement to notify the Division of any arrest, criminal charge or conviction with 10 days, and the responsibility to file state and federal tax returns and remain current on all tax, student loan, child support and other governmental obligations, including payment plans.

What many licensees fail to understand is that suitability is not a one-time assessment at the time of licensure, but a continuing obligation. Some licensees may not take this continuing obligation seriously, but the Division does. We have developed a system of tracking licensees who had issues at the time of application, especially those who we required to file tax returns or set up payment plans with governmental entities to take care of governmental obligations. We then run “mid-cycle” checks one year after they apply to ensure they are remaining current on these obligations. We also have a system in place with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation to receive notices when a licensee has been arrested in the state.

Taking disciplinary actions before the Commission takes a lot of resources. When implementing the statement of understanding years ago, we hoped that clearly stating a licensee’s responsibilities and the consequences for not upholding these responsibilities would greatly reduce the need for these types of disciplinary actions. Unfortunately, that increasingly is not the case. Support employees may not always listen to the Division, but they may listen to their employers. That’s why I’m asking the casino industry to reinforce the message that suitability is a continual responsibility, because this issue not only affects individual licensees, the Division and the Commission, it affects the entire industry as well.



—Ron Kammerzell

COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>September 2006</u>	<u>August 2006</u>	<u>September 2005</u>	<u>Tax Year To Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	5,990	6,003	4,094	17,825
COINS IN	277,595,630.16	269,989,084.35	195,860,371.02	836,795,816.05
AGP	25,158,710.88	24,036,405.22	16,817,567.60	75,089,386.47
AVG DAILY AGP	142.63	129.16	136.93	138.63
HOLD %	9.06%	8.90%	8.59%	8.97%
5¢ SLOTS	2,485	2,589	3,403	7,652
COINS IN	98,738,006.56	100,428,210.84	133,940,697.63	309,740,942.02
AGP	6,676,908.65	6,764,337.13	9,297,774.79	20,871,249.08
AVG DAILY AGP	91.25	84.28	91.07	89.76
HOLD %	6.76%	6.74%	6.94%	6.74%
25¢ SLOTS	3,327	3,358	3,734	10,107
COINS IN	217,760,278.48	220,729,344.29	248,427,927.80	684,894,344.64
AGP	11,352,902.94	11,395,950.98	12,237,435.38	35,525,290.14
AVG DAILY AGP	115.88	109.47	109.24	115.67
HOLD %	5.21%	5.16%	4.93%	5.19%
\$1 SLOTS	2,608	2,640	2,787	7,905
COINS IN	264,700,794.65	267,401,172.60	286,332,500.64	827,422,862.39
AGP	13,210,931.45	12,994,637.19	13,280,367.07	40,267,974.99
AVG DAILY AGP	172.02	158.78	158.84	167.63
HOLD %	4.99%	4.86%	4.64%	4.87%
\$5 SLOTS	260	266	290	804
COINS IN	43,064,710.00	47,747,870.00	46,531,750.00	139,313,345.00
AGP	1,934,101.61	2,056,679.36	2,185,633.75	6,424,404.32
AVG DAILY AGP	252.62	249.42	251.22	262.95
HOLD %	4.49%	4.31%	4.70%	4.61%
OTHER SLOTS*	2,415	2,407	1,822	7,145
COINS IN	154,691,481.23	152,739,256.01	115,699,253.16	463,452,463.99
AGP	8,976,402.79	9,033,505.88	7,042,380.08	27,029,366.07
AVG DAILY AGP	126.23	121.06	128.84	124.49
HOLD %	5.80%	5.91%	6.09%	5.83%
BJ TABLES	76	73	79	225
BJ DROP	3,337,050.35	3,459,654.85	3,480,333.10	10,666,153.65
AGP	652,079.36	651,730.10	674,525.10	1,993,564.66
AVG DAILY AGP	291.37	287.99	284.61	291.57
HOLD %	19.54%	18.84%	19.38%	18.69%
POKER TABLES	151	152	120	455
POKER DROP	2,784,296.75	2,787,495.80	2,582,262.75	8,576,011.05
AGP	1,797,135.76	1,831,028.78	1,672,621.15	5,567,645.14
AVG DAILY AGP	404.17	388.59	464.62	402.68
HOLD %	17.76%	20.00%	19.43%	18.36%
TOTAL AGP	69,778,902.62	68,765,250.31	63,649,504.69	212,791,986.12
GAMING TAXES	8,381,894.10	5,983,904.56	7,326,778.05	16,311,221.48
# OF CASINOS	47	47	46	47
AVG. DAYS OPEN	29.45	31.00	30.00	30.39
*10¢, 50¢, \$2 and Multi-Denomination Slots				

CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>September 2006</u>	<u>August 2006</u>	<u>September 2005</u>	<u>Tax Year To Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	1,351	1,336	1,082	4,016
COINS IN	52,519,490.00	49,998,626.22	41,686,896.12	159,857,592.53
AGP	4,165,493.63	3,957,960.33	3,247,929.34	12,755,802.73
AVG DAILY AGP	102.78	95.57	100.06	104.27
HOLD %	7.93%	7.92%	7.79%	7.98%
5¢ SLOTS	722	747	1,026	2,228
COINS IN	21,526,163.00	21,815,384.80	31,356,392.18	67,449,107.95
AGP	1,448,196.89	1,468,077.77	2,121,575.80	4,505,698.72
AVG DAILY AGP	66.86	63.40	68.93	66.39
HOLD %	6.73%	6.73%	6.77%	6.68%
25¢ SLOTS	937	938	1,065	2,820
COINS IN	47,898,889.75	47,564,322.00	54,782,693.30	149,367,130.00
AGP	2,320,956.07	2,355,767.98	2,683,805.96	7,452,540.18
AVG DAILY AGP	82.57	81.02	84.00	86.75
HOLD %	4.85%	4.95%	4.90%	4.99%
\$1 SLOTS	872	855	865	2,574
COINS IN	68,563,013.00	66,640,935.00	67,629,775.00	209,587,090.00
AGP	3,408,602.17	3,164,102.72	3,142,932.90	10,018,846.85
AVG DAILY AGP	130.30	119.38	121.11	127.77
HOLD %	4.97%	4.75%	4.65%	4.78%
\$5 SLOTS	43	50	66	146
COINS IN	5,749,480.00	7,122,830.00	5,098,875.00	19,997,200.00
AGP	359,478.45	245,450.00	283,767.00	954,857.88
AVG DAILY AGP	278.67	158.35	143.32	214.69
HOLD %	6.25%	3.45%	5.57%	4.77%
OTHER SLOTS*	797	796	610	2,387
COINS IN	32,507,026.79	31,874,971.41	23,918,132.02	100,886,257.07
AGP	1,937,378.84	1,904,540.57	1,504,425.61	5,903,381.70
AVG DAILY AGP	81.03	77.18	82.21	81.18
HOLD %	5.96%	5.98%	6.29%	5.85%
BJ TABLES	23	17	16	57
BJ DROP	523,287.75	520,768.75	603,901.50	1,675,159.50
AGP	97,114.25	98,775.75	106,678.50	313,838.50
AVG DAILY AGP	140.75	187.43	222.25	180.74
HOLD %	18.56%	18.97%	17.66%	18.73%
POKER TABLES	28	30	26	88
POKER DROP	303,973.50	325,924.00	277,236.00	1,009,135.00
AGP	289,463.50	279,388.00	280,557.50	918,890.00
AVG DAILY AGP	344.60	300.42	359.69	342.77
HOLD %	22.28%	20.48%	18.97%	21.66%
TOTAL AGP	14,026,683.80	13,474,063.12	13,371,672.61	42,823,856.56
GAMING TAXES	433,831.40	160,342.45	392,609.13	646,165.45
# OF CASINOS	19	19	19	19
AVG. DAYS OPEN	30.00	31.00	30.00	30.46
*10¢, 50¢, \$2 and Multi-Denomination Slots				

BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>September 2006</u>	<u>August 2006</u>	<u>September 2005</u>	<u>Tax Year To Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	3,824	3,742	2,392	11,219
COINS IN	188,269,155.95	181,521,989.01	132,107,488.70	560,733,921.30
AGP	17,834,805.68	16,956,287.83	11,828,366.15	52,628,951.93
AVG DAILY AGP	155.46	146.17	164.83	153.92
HOLD %	9.47%	9.34%	8.95%	9.39%
5¢ SLOTS	1,370	1,415	1,922	4,216
COINS IN	68,939,447.78	68,789,950.95	91,959,935.10	214,080,497.60
AGP	4,633,303.40	4,649,845.84	6,416,562.27	14,425,808.47
AVG DAILY AGP	112.73	106.00	111.28	112.27
HOLD %	6.72%	6.76%	6.98%	6.74%
25¢ SLOTS	1,861	1,894	2,171	5,746
COINS IN	146,454,108.65	147,074,596.25	169,984,106.50	459,475,106.48
AGP	7,793,936.62	7,704,742.26	8,290,896.07	24,072,081.05
AVG DAILY AGP	139.60	131.22	127.30	137.46
HOLD %	5.32%	5.24%	4.88%	5.24%
\$1 SLOTS	1,389	1,434	1,611	4,322
COINS IN	169,865,928.65	173,188,986.60	194,034,900.64	536,691,529.93
AGP	8,551,338.39	8,577,544.40	9,028,730.54	26,508,602.39
AVG DAILY AGP	205.22	192.95	186.81	201.25
HOLD %	5.03%	4.95%	4.65%	4.94%
\$5 SLOTS	197	196	204	598
COINS IN	35,708,090.00	38,523,590.00	39,643,965.00	113,488,325.00
AGP	1,489,778.16	1,763,240.36	1,786,201.75	5,252,457.44
AVG DAILY AGP	252.08	290.20	291.86	288.20
HOLD %	4.17%	4.58%	4.51%	4.63%
OTHER SLOTS*	1,494	1,455	1,212	4,322
COINS IN	113,920,633.33	112,221,388.67	91,781,121.14	336,183,052.26
AGP	6,574,392.77	6,636,524.58	5,537,954.47	19,631,642.05
AVG DAILY AGP	146.68	147.14	152.31	149.04
HOLD %	5.77%	5.91%	6.03%	5.84%
BJ TABLES	42	42	54	127
BJ DROP	2,464,911.35	2,532,694.30	2,631,203.10	7,840,959.85
AGP	500,073.35	496,625.80	530,976.85	1,519,499.60
AVG DAILY AGP	396.88	381.43	327.76	392.59
HOLD %	20.29%	19.61%	20.18%	19.38%
POKER TABLES	98	98	78	293
POKER DROP	2,129,507.00	2,146,545.55	2,075,089.50	6,571,591.80
AGP	1,303,980.76	1,360,069.53	1,188,852.90	4,059,260.64
AVG DAILY AGP	443.53	447.69	508.06	454.59
HOLD %	17.13%	19.92%	19.02%	17.69%
TOTAL AGP	48,681,609.13	48,144,880.60	44,608,541.00	148,098,303.57
GAMING TAXES	7,331,198.31	5,410,088.34	6,299,166.27	14,568,125.36
# OF CASINOS	21	21	21	21
AVG. DAYS OPEN	30.00	31.00	30.00	30.48
*10¢, 50¢, \$2 and Multi-Denomination Slots				

CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>September 2006</u>	<u>August 2006</u>	<u>September 2005</u>	<u>Tax Year To Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	815	925	620	2,590
COINS IN	36,806,984.21	38,468,469.12	22,065,986.20	116,204,302.22
AGP	3,158,411.57	3,122,157.06	1,741,272.11	9,704,631.81
AVG DAILY AGP	147.43	108.88	93.62	125.60
HOLD %	8.58%	8.12%	7.89%	8.35%
5¢ SLOTS	393	427	455	1,208
COINS IN	8,272,395.78	9,822,875.09	10,624,370.35	28,211,336.47
AGP	595,408.36	646,413.52	759,636.72	1,939,741.89
AVG DAILY AGP	57.64	48.83	55.65	53.83
HOLD %	7.20%	6.58%	7.15%	6.88%
25¢ SLOTS	529	526	498	1,541
COINS IN	23,407,280.08	26,090,426.04	23,661,128.00	76,052,108.16
AGP	1,238,010.25	1,335,440.74	1,262,733.35	4,000,668.91
AVG DAILY AGP	89.03	81.90	84.52	87.03
HOLD %	5.29%	5.12%	5.34%	5.26%
\$1 SLOTS	347	351	311	1,009
COINS IN	26,271,853.00	27,571,251.00	24,667,825.00	81,144,242.46
AGP	1,250,990.89	1,252,990.07	1,108,703.63	3,740,525.75
AVG DAILY AGP	137.15	115.15	118.83	124.27
HOLD %	4.76%	4.54%	4.49%	4.61%
\$5 SLOTS	20	20	20	60
COINS IN	1,607,140.00	2,101,450.00	1,788,910.00	5,827,820.00
AGP	84,845.00	47,989.00	115,665.00	217,089.00
AVG DAILY AGP	161.39	77.40	192.78	121.29
HOLD %	5.28%	2.28%	6.47%	3.73%
OTHER SLOTS*	124	156	0	436
COINS IN	8,263,821.11	8,642,895.93	0.00	26,383,154.66
AGP	464,631.18	492,440.73	0.00	1,494,342.32
AVG DAILY AGP	142.55	101.83	0.00	114.89
HOLD %	5.62%	5.70%	0.00%	5.66%
BJ TABLES	11	14	9	41
BJ DROP	348,851.25	406,191.80	245,228.50	1,150,034.30
AGP	54,891.76	56,328.55	36,869.75	160,226.56
AVG DAILY AGP	189.84	129.79	136.55	131.00
HOLD %	15.74%	13.87%	15.03%	13.93%
POKER TABLES	25	24	16	74
POKER DROP	350,816.25	315,026.25	229,937.25	995,284.25
AGP	203,691.50	191,571.25	203,210.75	589,494.50
AVG DAILY AGP	309.97	257.49	423.36	267.04
HOLD %	17.66%	19.99%	23.62%	19.42%
TOTAL AGP	7,070,609.69	7,146,306.59	5,669,291.08	21,869,825.99
GAMING TAXES	616,864.39	413,473.77	635,002.65	1,096,930.67
# OF CASINOS	7	7	6	7
AVG. DAYS OPEN	26.29	31.00	30.00	29.83
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SEPTEMBER AGP BY DEVICE

Statewide

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	17,101	\$67,329,688	\$133.70	6.37%
Tables	227	\$2,449,215	\$366.41	18.73%
TOTAL	17,328	\$69,778,903	\$136.75	6.56%

Cripple Creek

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	4,722	\$13,640,106	\$96.29	5.96%
Tables	51	\$386,578	\$252.67	19.93%
TOTAL	4,773	\$14,026,684	\$97.96	6.11%

Black Hawk

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	10,135	\$46,877,555	\$154.18	6.48%
Tables	140	\$1,804,054	\$429.54	18.83%
TOTAL	10,275	\$48,681,609	\$157.93	6.69%

Central City

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	2,244	\$6,812,026	\$115.49	6.50%
Tables	36	\$258,583	\$273.26	16.70%
TOTAL	2,280	\$7,070,610	\$117.98	6.70%

Average daily AGP per device is calculated by dividing the total AGP by the number of devices, further divided by the average number of days open for all establishments open in September. Hold percentage does not include player-banked poker tables.

GAMING ♦ UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ November 10 • Veteran's Day, Division offices closed
- ✓ November 15 • October gaming tax returns due
- ✓ November 16 • Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood
- ✓ November 23 • Thanksgiving Day, Division offices closed

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