**GAMING INDUSTRY BULLETIN** 

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The Colorado Division of Gaming has developed the following requirements for the utilization of software e-prom duplicator and erasers effective immediately:

- 1. Written approval must be obtained from the local Division of Gaming office prior to the actual use of any e-prom duplicator and/or eraser device. The request for approval must contain, at a minimum, the location of the device, the name of the device and/or manufacturer, the serial number (if it has one), the model number of the device, and the names of the licensed employees who are utilizing it for the casino. A copy of the Division's approval must be available on premises at all times.
- 2. If more than one casino is utilizing a "shared" e-prom duplicator and eraser, all casinos participating must be listed on the submitted approval request letter.
- 3. Most manufacturers' e-proms are protected by federal copyright and patent laws. Casinos must insure that they are complying with all applicable laws when duplicating e-proms. Most manufacturers will forward a copy of their copyright license to allow duplication of their program software, with the license usually applicable only to individual casinos. If more than one casino is utilizing a shared duplicator, each must execute a signed agreement with the manufacturer or distributor.
- 4. The casino must keep a copy of this agreement on the premises at all times and it shall be available for inspection by the Colorado Division of Gaming upon request.
- 5. Duplicated e-proms may not be sold or distributed to other casino properties, licensees, individuals, or entities under any circumstance without the express written permission of the manufacturer or distributor and the Division of Gaming.
- 6. After duplication, all e-proms must be labeled when returned to the gaming device; this shall include the date, manufacturer's program number, information identical to the manufacturer's label, the initials of the individual replacing/duplicating the e-prom, and nomenclature to the effect that the chip is a duplicate. The casino must also document this information in a log maintained and kept on the premises.
- 7. As with all game changes, modifications and e-prom transactions, duplicated e-proms must be verified and kobetroned by the Division of Gaming and taped to the board **prior** to being offered for play. The master game program number, par percentage and the pay table are to be verified against the par sheet and against the device's test modes as required. Check sums are not adequate verification.