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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

March 17, 2011

Kevin O'Toole, Executive Director Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Strawberry Square Verizon Tower, 5th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Re: Regulation #125-129 (IRRC #2873)
Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
Gaming Junket Amendments

Dear Mr. O'Toole:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Silvan B. Lutkewitte

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Jane M. Earll, Majority Chairman, Senate Community, Economic and Recreational Development Committee

Honorable Wayne D. Fontana, Minority Chairman, Senate Community, Economic and Recreational Development Committee

Honorable Curt Schroder, Majority Chairman, House Gaming Oversight

Honorable Rosita C. Youngblood, Minority Chairman, House Gaming Oversight

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held March 17, 2011

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner, Esq. Lawrence J. Tabas, Esq.

Regulation No. 125-129 (#2873) Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Gaming Junket Amendments

On September 13, 2010, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (Board). This rulemaking amends 58 Pa. Code Chapters 401a, 421a, 439a, 440a, 441a, 451a, 465a, 481a, 501a and 503a. The proposed regulation was published in the September 25, 2010 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 14, 2011.

This rulemaking amends the Board's regulations to comply with Act 1 of 2010 revisions to the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act. The amendments also improve clarity and eliminate or reduce the registration or application requirements for some entities and individuals.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (4 Pa.C.S. §§ 1202(b)(9), (23) and (30), 1318, 1602(a) and 1604(a)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.

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Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman