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MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD RELEASES DETROIT CASINO REVENUES FOR SEPTEMBER, 2012

The Michigan Gaming Control Board (“MGCB” or “Board”) released the September, 2012 total adjusted revenue figures for the three Detroit casinos – MGM Grand Detroit Casino, MotorCity Casino and Greektown Casino. Overall, revenue for the Detroit Market was up 0.2% in September, 2012 from the same reporting period last year. Specifically, revenue for MGM Grand Detroit Casino and Greektown Casino was up by 4.5% and 3.4%, while revenue for MotorCity Casino was down by 7.5% respectively during September, 2012 in comparison to the same month last year.

Month in 2012	Total Adjusted Revenue 2012		
	MGM Grand Detroit	MotorCity Casino	Greektown Casino
	Total Adjusted Revenue	Total Adjusted Revenue	Total Adjusted Revenue
January	\$47,869,082.24	\$36,708,630.10	\$29,607,452.04
February	\$53,443,696.53	\$42,922,456.88	\$32,560,470.47
March	\$57,181,553.70	\$43,543,183.32	\$34,602,503.13
April	\$52,125,745.86	\$39,350,932.55	\$31,868,439.41
May	\$51,719,743.97	\$36,964,111.37	\$29,720,467.91
June	\$47,326,715.28	\$36,905,378.50	\$27,259,606.31
July	\$48,820,780.88	\$34,988,360.07	\$28,194,024.07
August	\$49,759,221.09	\$38,102,330.20	\$29,065,619.31
September	\$50,767,759.78	\$35,529,881.05	\$27,778,700.13
Total	459,014,299.34	\$345,015,264.04	\$270,657,282.78

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Month in 2012	Total Adjusted Revenue 2012		
	All Detroit Casinos		
	Total Adjusted Gross Receipts	Total State Wagering Tax	Total Detroit Wagering Tax
January	\$114,185,164.38	\$9,248,998.32	\$12,446,182.92
February	\$128,926,623.88	\$10,443,056.60	\$14,053,002.00
March	\$135,327,240.15	\$10,961,506.45	\$14,750,669.18
April	\$123,345,117.82	\$9,990,954.54	\$13,444,617.84
May	\$118,404,323.25	\$9,590,750.18	\$12,906,071.23
June	\$111,491,700.09	\$9,030,827.71	\$12,152,595.31
July	\$112,003,165.02	\$9,072,256.37	\$12,208,344.99
August	\$116,927,170.60	\$9,471,100.82	\$12,745,061.60
September	\$114,076,340.96	\$9,240,183.62	\$12,434,321.16
Total	\$1,074,686,846.15	\$87,049,634.54	\$117,140,866.23

All three casinos are subject to a wagering tax of 19%, with 10.9% of this levy to go to the City of Detroit, and 8.1% to be paid to the State of Michigan.

The market shares for MGM Grand Detroit, MotorCity Casino, and Greektown Casino for September 2012 were 45%, 31%, and 24% respectfully.

The figures released by the Michigan Gaming Control Board are the gross receipts less winnings paid to wagers. The figures do not include: 1) any fees or other relevant city, state or federal taxes; 2) wages and benefits paid to casino employees; 3) payments to suppliers, service providers or vendors; and 4) other normal business expenses.

SINGLE EVENT BETTING IN CANADA

Between October 4, 2012 and October 24, 2012, the Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs of the Parliament of Canada held a series of hearings related to Bill C-290, an act that would allow single-game sports wagering in the country. The bill, titled “an Act to amend the Criminal Code (Sports Betting)”, would amend the Criminal Code by removing the current ban on single-game sports wagering in Canada.

The bill was first offered to the Canadian House of Commons by Joe Comartin, a Member of Parliament representing Windsor-Tecumseh, in February of 2011. In introducing the bill, Mr. Comartin stated that “this is a very important bill from this perspective. That industry is very big, and it is entirely controlled by organized crime at the present time, both here and in the United States...there is widespread support for this bill, and I am seeking support from all members of Parliament when it comes up for second reading.” According to the Canadian Gaming Association, currently there is upwards of \$10 Billion in sports betting going on in Canada, only \$450 Million of which is considered legal.

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If passed, the bill would repeal s.200(4)(b) of the Criminal Code which prohibits placing monetary bets on “a single sporting event or athletic contest.” Currently sports wagering in Canada takes place through provincial government products such as Sport Select and ProLine. The passage of C-290, however, is anticipated to also open the market for additional online gaming opportunities. In advocating for the bill, Mr. Comartin has claimed the potential for the creation of new jobs within the gaming industry to accommodate for the increased number of sports wagers that would be authorized under the new law.