ORDER 2011-252 IN RE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

HORSESHOE HAMMOND, LLC 11-HH-03

After having reviewed the attached Settlement Agreement, the Indiana Gaming Commission hereby:



the proposed terms of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2011.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

Thiothy Mulphy, C

ATTEST:

Mary Shy, Secretary

STATE OF INDIANA INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION ER OF:)

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") by and through its Executive Director Ernest E. Yelton and Horseshoe Hammond, LLC ("Horseshoe") (collectively, the "Parties") desire to settle this matter prior to the initiation of a disciplinary proceeding pursuant to 68 IAC 13-1-18(a). The Parties stipulate and agree that the following facts are true:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. 68 IAC 11-3-6 (c)(2) states the drop box shall be opened by the appropriate soft count team member, and the entire contents of the drop box shall be emptied onto the soft count table.
- 2. 68 IAC 11-3-6(c)(3) states the inside of the empty drop box shall be held up for full view by the surveillance camera, and at least one (1) member of the soft count team shall verify that the drop box is empty.
- 3. 68 IAC 11-3-6(c)(12) states once all drop boxes have been counted, the soft count team shall complete the master gaming report or the bill validator report.
- 4. 68 IAC 11-3-6(c)(19) states all currency, chips, and tokens shall be transported to the main bank for use during the gaming day.
- 5. On September 14, 2011 the Commission Audit Division reviewed a report from a Revenue Auditor indicating that a Bill Validator ("BV") containing funds was not counted on the day it was dropped. A review of the surveillance footage showed that the "hot" BV was placed back onto a cart, resulting in the funds not being counted.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Commission staff alleges that the acts or omissions of Horseshoe by and through its agents as described herein constitute a breach of IC 4-33, 68 IAC and/or Horseshoe's approved internal control procedures. The Commission and Horseshoe hereby agree to a monetary settlement of the alleged violations described herein in lieu of the Commission

pursuing formal disciplinary action against Horseshoe. This agreement is being entered into to avoid the potential expense and inconvenience of disciplinary action.

Horseshoe shall pay to the Commission a settlement of \$1,500 in consideration for the Commission foregoing disciplinary action based on the facts specifically described in each count of this agreement. Neither this agreement nor any action performed pursuant to it will constitute an admission of any violation by Horseshoe. This agreement extends only to known incidents specifically alleged in this agreement and wholly based on the facts described herein. If the Commission subsequently discovers additional facts, which are not described in this agreement, that may support an independent determination that a violation has occurred, the Commission may pursue disciplinary action for such violations even if the facts are related to an incident described herein.

Upon execution and approval of this Settlement Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Agreement to the Commission for review and final action. Upon approval of the Settlement Agreement by the Commission, Horseshoe agrees to promptly remit payment in the amount of \$1,500 and shall waive all rights to further administrative or judicial review.

This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No prior or subsequent understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified or referenced within this document will be valid provisions of this Settlement Agreement. This Settlement Agreement may not be modified, supplemented, or amended, in any manner, except by written agreement signed by all Parties.

This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon the Commission and Horseshoe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Settlement Agreement on the date and year as set forth below.

Ernest E. Yelton, Executive Director

Indiana Gaming Commission

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Dan Mita, General Manager Horseshoe Hammond, LLC

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