ORDER 2020-144 IN RE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

BETMGM, LLC d/b/a ROAR DIGITAL 20-ROAR-01

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 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

Michael B. McMains, Chair

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ATTEST:

Jason Dudich, Secretary

STATE OF INDIANA INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") by and through its Executive Director Sara Gonso Tait and BetMGM, LLC d/b/a Roar Digital ("Roar Digital"), (collectively, the "Parties") desire to enter into this settlement agreement ("Agreement") 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

COUNT I

- 1. IC 4-38-5-4(a) states a certificate holder or vendor may accept wagers on professional and collegiate sporting events approved for sports wagering by the commission, and other events as approved by the commission. A certificate holder or vendor may use data selected in a manner approved by the commission to determine whether a wager is a winning wager.
- 2. Chapter 7, Section 1(a) of the Emergency Rules for Sports Wagering state before accepting wagers on any event category from patrons, a sports wagering operator must receive event category approval from the executive director or the executive director's designee. The sports wagering operator shall provide notice to the executive director or the executive director's designee and such notice shall include the name of the sports governing body and a description of its policies and procedures regarding event integrity. The commission reserves the right to prohibit the acceptance of any wagers, and may order the cancellation of wagers and require refunds on any event for which wagering would be contrary to the public policies of the state.
- 3. On March 20, 2020, the Commission's Director of Sports Wagering reached out to Roar Digital to inquire about the offering of the "Cage Warrior" market and what mixed martial arts (MMA) market this event fell under. Roar Digital's VP of Compliance advised that this market was offered in error by the trading team.
- 4. On March 26, 2020, Roar Digital provided an incident report to the Commission which advised that a Trader was activating this market for other jurisdictions and mistakenly activated it for Indiana. Thirty-eight (38) single wagers and two hundred sixty-four (264) parlay wagers were received; however, Roar Digital refunded the wagers. Roar Digital offered eleven (11) events for the Cage Warrior market which was not an approved MMA event or market in Indiana.

COUNT II

- 5. IC 4-38-2-7 defines "E-sports" as a single player or multiplayer video game played competitively, typically by professional gamers.
- 6. IC 4-38-5-4(b) provides a certificate holder or vendor may not accept wagers on E-sports regardless of whether the e-sports event involves one (1) or multiple players.
- 7. On March 27, 2020, Roar Digital's VP of Compliance reported that Roar Digital offered an unapproved E-sports event. Specifically, Roar Digital offered eWBSS, a simulated sporting event that offers simulated fights.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Commission staff alleges that the acts or omissions of Roar Digital by and through its agents as described herein constitute a breach of IC 4-38, 68 IAC, the Emergency Rules for Sports Wagering, and/or Roar Digital's approved internal control procedures. The Commission and Roar Digital hereby agree to a monetary settlement of the alleged violations described herein in lieu of the Commission pursuing formal disciplinary action against Roar Digital.

Roar Digital shall pay to the Commission a total of \$13,000 (\$11,000 for Count I and \$2,000 for Count II) and ensure that all wagers placed on all unapproved events are voided and the original wager is returned to the player in consideration for the Commission foregoing disciplinary action based on the facts specifically described in the Findings of Fact contained in this Agreement. This Agreement extends only to those violations and findings of fact specifically alleged in the findings above. If the Commission subsequently discovers facts that give rise to additional or separate violations, the Commission may pursue disciplinary action for such violations even if the subsequent violations are similar or related to an incident described in the findings above.

Upon execution and approval of this Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Agreement to the Commission for review and final action. Upon approval of the Agreement by the Commission, Roar Digital agrees to: 1) promptly remit payment in the amount of \$13,000; 2) ensure that all wagers placed on all unapproved events are voided and the original wager is returned to the player; and 3) waive all rights to further administrative or judicial review.

This 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 Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified, supplemented, or amended, in any manner, except by written agreement signed by all Parties.

This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original agreement and both of which shall constitute one and the same agreement. The counterparts of this Agreement may be executed and delivered by electronic mail, facsimile, or other electronic

signature by either of the parties and the receiving party may rely on the receipt of such document so executed and delivered electronically as if the original had been received.

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

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Sara Gonso Tait, Executive Director Indiana Gaming Commission	Charles LaBoy, VP of Compliance Roar Digital
11/20/20	
Date	Date