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TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

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FROM: Leo Mamorsky, Managing Director, Chief Marketing Officer

DIVISIONS: Product Development and Creative Services

DATE: April 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Report for the April 2021 Commission Meeting

Following is the status update of ongoing and special projects in Product Development and Creative Services, for April.

## 1. Product Development

## a) Scratch-Off Products and Promotions

### i. Key accomplishments last period:

- 1. April Scratch-Off Launch (4/19/21):
  - a. \$1 I Love To Win
  - b. \$2 *\$ummer Fun*
  - c. \$5 24 Karat Gold
  - d. \$10 Royal Cash Fortune
- 2. Game Closing Activity:

Game	Price	Game Name	Total Sales	Prize Expense	Gross Margin	Final Claim Date
429	\$3	Skee Ball	\$9,413,400.00	\$6,204,747.54	\$3,208,652.46	3/1/2021
440	\$10	Ravens	\$24,529,000.00	\$18,040,600.91	\$6,488,399.09	3/1/2021
472	\$10	\$100,000 Crossword	\$22,229,500.00	\$16,122,097.59	\$6,107,402.41	3/1/2021

- 3. *Multiplier Second-Chance Contest:* The second bonus drawing was held 3/15/21; 6,621,837 entries were received. The third drawing was held 3/31/21; 8,313,866 entries were received. The third bonus drawing was to be held 4/14/21; as of 4/11/21, 9,614,575 entries were received.
- 4. Willy Wonka Golden Ticket™ Second-Chance Contest: The first drawing was to be held 4/13/21; as of 4/11/21 389,894 entries were received.
- 5. *\$ummer Fun Second-Chance Contest:* Players can enter non-winning \$ummer Fun Instant Tickets into My Lottery Rewards and automatically receive one entry into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance contest. There will be four drawings in which five winners will be chosen to win \$2,500 cash (20 winners total). Entries are not cumulative.

## ii. <u>Upcoming tasks for this period</u>:

- 1. May Scratch-Off Launch (5/24/21):
  - a. \$1 *\$50 Loaded*
  - b. \$2 \$100 Loaded

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- c. \$5 \$500 Loaded
- d. \$10 \$1,000 Loaded
- e. \$20 \$5,000 Loaded
- 2. *Multiplier Second-Chance Contest:* The fourth and final drawing will be held 4/28/21; as of 4/11/21; 9,614,575 entries have been received.

## b) Draw and Monitor Game Products and Promotions

## i. Key accomplishments last period:

- 1. FAST PLAY 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary All-Games Promotion: From 4/5/21 5/2/21 (4 weeks) players will have a chance to win a free FAST PLAY ticket when purchasing their favorite terminal games. This is an Nth ticket promotion with 3 prize tiers. All terminal game purchases made during the promotion period could receive:
  - Free \$1 7-11-21® FAST PLAY ticket
  - Free \$2 Bloomin' Bucks FAST PLAY ticket
  - Free \$10 Jackpot Party FAST PLAY ticket

## ii. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- 1. *Racetrax* \$6 for \$5 Triple Crown: From 4/26/21 5/2/21 (7 days to coincide with the Kentucky Derby) any player that makes a \$6 Racetrax purchase will receive a \$1 discount. The maximum discount received will be \$5 off any ticket valued at \$30 or more.
- 2. Bonus Match May: From 5/3 5/30/21 (4 weeks) players will receive a free \$1 quick pick Bonus Match 5 ticket when they buy 9 boards for \$6. Only a \$6 (or more) Bonus Match 5 purchase on a single ticket will activate the promotion and the terminal will automatically generate the free \$1 quick pick ticket.

### c) FAST PLAY Products and Promotions

### i. Kev accomplishments last period:

- 1. April FAST PLAY Launch (4/5/21)
  - a. \$1 7-11-21®
  - b. \$2 *Bloomin' Bucks*
  - c. \$10 Jackpot Party (Progressive)
- 2. Home Run Riches FAST PLAY Contestant of the Game Second-Chance Promotion: The first drawing was held 3/30/21; 37,619 entries were received.

## ii. <u>Upcoming tasks for this period:</u>

1. Home Run Riches FAST PLAY Contestant of the Game Second-Chance Promotion: The second drawing will be held 4/28/21; as of 4/11/21, 62,421 entries have been received.

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#### 2. Creative Services

## a) Traditional Advertising

### i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. *Home Run Riches FAST PLAY:* Finished production of our second *Home Run Riches* television spot and four (4) radio spots that will run throughout the 2021 *Orioles* season.
- 2. *FAST PLAY April Launch*: Completed production of all *FAST PLAY* creative elements, including a :30 and :15 television spot, radio spots, out-of-home, digital media, and social media. The media plan began running the week of 4/5 and will conclude on 5/10.
- 3. Loaded Family of Games Scratch-Offs: Selected the creative direction for the Loaded FOG campaign. We are now moving into production for all creative assets. We are also reviewing media options from 9Rooftops for this campaign.
- 4. *Orioles and MASN-TV Sponsorships*: Completed production of all creative assets for the Lottery's *Orioles* and *MASN-TV* sponsorships in advance of the 4/1 start of the MLB season.
- 5. Ravens 2021 Sponsorship: Finalizing our Ravens 2021 advertising and prizing agreements.

### ii. Upcoming tasks:

- 1. *Loaded Family of Games Scratch-Offs*: Complete production of all creative materials for the launch of the *Loaded FOG* scratch-offs. Also finalize the *Loaded FOG* media plan.
- 2. *Ravens 2021*: Begin planning marketing and advertising support for the launch of *Ravens 2021* scratch-offs.
- 3. FY'22 Planning:
  - a. Negotiate annual out-of-home contracts for FY'22 jackpot bulletins, metro station dioramas and live boards, digital bulletins, etc.
  - b. Begin developing FY'22 advertising plans for July through December.

## b) My Lottery Rewards

## i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. 43,202 players engaged with *My Lottery Rewards* during March 2021; up 1% vs. February 2021.
- 2. The *Double Your Money* scratch-off was popular with MLR members. It had the most ticket entries and the most unique enterers in March.
- 3. We saw 2,820 new registrations in March 2021; down 1% vs. February 2021.
- 4. There were 59,513 MLR App users in March 2021; 9,600 of these were new users.
- 5. Implemented and/or maintained three second chance promotions and ten points-for-drawings promotions in March.

### ii. **Upcoming Tasks**:

- 1. Implement targeted emails to FAST PLAY players.
- 2. Continue to implement push notifications and emails in line with the CRM strategy.

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## c) Web, Digital and Social

## i. Key accomplishments:

- 1. Promoted the WILLY WONKA GOLDEN TICKET™ Scratch-Off and second-chance contest, the FAST PLAY Home Run Riches ticket and second-chance contest, four (4) new FAST PLAY tickets and various winners through social media and the website.
- 2. Began the transition to a new, more robust email platform.

## ii. **Upcoming Tasks**

- 1. Execute social and digital plans for the *Summer Fun* scratch-offs and second-chance promotion.
- 2. Create social and digital plans for the *Loaded FOG* scratch-offs.
- 3. Develop strategy and goals for our new email program.