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NOTICE TO LICENSEES

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Issuing Division: Technology

DATE: November 28, 2018

TO: All Licensees and Interested Persons

FROM: Becky Harris, Chairwoman

SUBJECT: **TECHNICAL POLICY REGARDING MULTI-GAME AND WAGER CATEGORY PAYTABLES**

It has been the policy of the Technology Division that a gaming device making use of a game theme in which the probability of a base game outcome changes based on the amount wagered must implement each probability set as a separate game (paytable). Additionally, the gaming device must maintain the appropriate meter and logging information for a gaming device with multiple paytables. The change in probability of a bonus or extended game feature based on the amount wagered did not require implementation as a separate payable.

Effective immediately, a gaming device making use of a game theme in which the probability of a base game, bonus game, or extended game feature changes based on the amount wagered is not required to treat each probability set as a separate payable or implement multi-game metering and logging. In lieu of implementing each probability set as a separate payable, the theme may now be treated as a single payable provided the applicable metering requirements of Technical Standard 2 are met. Specifically, a gaming device containing a payable with a difference in theoretical payback percentage which exceeds four (4) percent between wager categories must maintain and display coin in meters and the associated payback percentage for each wager category with a different theoretical payback percentage and calculate a weighted average theoretical payback percentage for that payable.

While the implementation of multi-game metering and logging is no longer required, it is not prohibited. A manufacturer of a gaming device making use of a game theme in which the probability of a game outcome changes based on the amount wagered may continue to treat each probability set as separate payable and implement multi-game metering and logging.

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In accordance with NGC Regulation 14.040(2), a gaming device in which the probability of an outcome changes between games must prominently display a notice of the change to the player. The notice displayed to the player or the rules of play must clearly state the conditions under which the probability of an award changes.