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NOTICE TO LICENSEES

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Issuing Division: Enforcement

DATE: June 10, 2013
TO: All Nonrestricted Licensees and Interested Persons
FROM: Jerry Markling, Chief, Enforcement Division
SUBJECT: "Google Glass"

The Gaming Control Board ("Board") has recently received inquiries regarding the use of "Google Glass" inside gaming establishments and, specifically, on the casino floor. Google Glass is essentially a light-weight, wearable computer designed to be attached to eye glass frames. Google Glass has the ability to display information, take pictures, record video, and transmit and receive data via the internet.

While there is nothing specifically illegal regarding the possession and/or general use of these devices, the potential for inappropriate and/or illegal use in a casino does exist. For example, these devices could be used to share card information between players in poker and other table games, which could give those players an unfair advantage or allow them to cheat, in violation of NRS 465.075 and 083. In addition, the use of these devices in the casino area or on gaming tables could potentially undermine the public's confidence that gaming in Nevada is "conducted honestly, competitively and free of criminal and corruptive elements."

Therefore, the Board encourages all nonrestricted gaming licensees to prohibit the wearing and use of Google Glass, or devices with similar capabilities, while on the gaming floor or while playing any gambling game. Policies regarding the wearing of these devices in other areas within the licensed establishment should be considered but are left to the discretion of the licensee.