

NEVADA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

1919 College Parkway, P.O. Box 8003, Carson City, Nevada 89702
555 E. Washington Avenue, Suite 2600, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101
3650 S. Pointe Circle, Suite 203, P.O. Box 31109, Laughlin, Nevada 89028
557 W. Silver Street, Suite 207, Elko, Nevada 89801
9790 Gateway Drive, Suite 100, Reno, Nevada 89521
750 Pilot Road, Suite I, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

A.G. BURNETT, Chairman SHAWN R. REID, Member TERRY JOHNSON, Member

NOTICE TO LICENSEES

Notice # 2016-96

Issuing Division: Technology

DATE: November 7, 2016

TO: All Licensees and Interested Parties

FROM: A.G. Burnett, Chairman

SUBJECT: Changes to Regulation 14 Implementing New Innovation Beta

On October 20, 2016, the Nevada Gaming Commission adopted amendments to Regulation 14 to facilitate the introduction of innovative gaming concepts into Nevada under a New Innovation Beta process. The New Innovation Beta (NIB) process will allow gaming devices to be deployed in a limited field trial status pending complete development, testing, or final regulatory approval.

A manufacturer who wishes to have their gaming device considered under NIB must submit the following information:

- 1. A letter addressed to the Board Chairman requesting product consideration for participation in the NIB process. The letter must contain the justification for participation, including a detailed description of the innovative aspect of the gaming device.
- 2. A detailed overview of the game outcome determination process including, as applicable, the random number generation process; the mapping of random numbers to game elements; and the evaluation of the game elements to determine win or loss.
- 3. The test procedures and results used to determine the accuracy of the game outcome determination process.

Notice # 2016-96 Page 2

- 4. The test procedures and results used to determine the accuracy of adding and removing credits to the gaming device including the deduction of credits for game play; the payment of winning wagers; the addition of credits via any mechanism available to the device; and the cashing-out of credits via any mechanism available to the device. Examples of available mechanisms include a currency acceptor; a currency dispenser; a voucher printer; and monetary transactions conducted with associated equipment.
- 5. A compliance report that documents in detail how the device either currently complies with or the intended method of compliance with each of the requirements of Regulation 14 and the Technical Standards for Gaming Devices.
- 6. A letter from a licensed gaming operator stating their intention to host a NIB field trial of your gaming device and their commitment to abide by the terms and conditions the Board Chairman may prescribe.
- 7. Any other information the manufacturer would like reviewed by the Chairman, such as approval information from another jurisdiction, when requesting consideration to participate in the NIB process.

The information required for consideration by the Chairman for participation in NIB does not replace the items required by Regulation 14.030 and 14.110, which must be satisfied prior to approval of a new gaming device or a modification to a gaming device. The need for certification by a registered independent testing laboratory of a product considered for approval under NIB will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

The manufacturer is strongly encouraged to contact the Technology Division prior to submitting a request for participation in NIB to review their gaming device and the NIB process.

Please contact Technology Division Lab Manager Jeremy Eberwein at <u>jeberwein@gcb.nv.gov</u> or Chief Jim Barbee at <u>jbarbee@gcb.nv.gov</u> with any questions or to begin the review process.