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Trump Marina and Trump Plaza Agree to Settlement with Division of Gaming Enforcement

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ATLANTIC CITY — In a ruling recently published by the New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement, Trump Marina Hotel and Casino and Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino have agreed to monetary penalties for violations of transactional waiver provisions. Trump Marina was fined \$35,000 and Trump Plaza \$3,000. Additionally, KGM Gaming, LLC agreed to a \$20,000 fine.

Transactional waivers are required under the regulations for transactions involving gaming equipment when the company has an application pending before the Division for a gaming related service industry license.

“We have strong regulations in place to ensure integrity with casino operations in Atlantic City. We need to make it clear that the Division will not tolerate when those regulations are violated,” said Director David Rebeck.

In this case, KGM LLC, an authorized distributor of slot machines manufactured by Ainsworth Gaming Technology ("AGT"), failed to file the required transactional waiver to deliver AGT machines to the casinos. Trump Marina and Trump Plaza failed to follow procedures necessary to ensure that a waiver was filed and approved prior to the acceptance of the AGT machines.

Seven unauthorized AGT machines at Trump Marina were on the floor from April 20, 2009 to June 16, 2009. During those two months, Trump Marina saw \$215,502 in winnings from the unauthorized machines. In the case of Trump Plaza, 22 AGT machines were on the floor from May 7, 2009 to June 16, 2009. The total in unauthorized machine winnings at Trump Plaza was \$181,326. The Division initially filed the complaints with the Casino Control Commission but due to the change in the regulatory structure as part of P.L. 2011, c. 19., the matter was transferred back to the Division after February 1, 2011 for settlement. AGT was not accused of any wrongdoing.

“It was with the cooperation and diligence of Trump Marina and Trump Plaza that the violations were uncovered and we commend them for their forthright position in notifying the Division,” said Rebeck.

Money that is received by the State as part of settlement agreements is directed to the Casino Revenue Fund, which supports treatment and education programs for compulsive gamblers and programs that benefit the State's senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

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