

**TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT
QUARTERLY REPORT**

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

**SUBMITTED TO THE
DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT
OF THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**



**OFFICE OF FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIONS
REPORTING MANUAL**

TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT BALANCE SHEETS

AS OF MARCH 31, 2017 AND 2016

(UNAUDITED)

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Line (a)	Description (b)	Notes	2017 (c)	2016 (d)
	<u>ASSETS:</u>			
	Current Assets:			
1	Cash and Cash Equivalents.....		\$83,147	\$118,943
2	Short-Term Investments.....		0	0
3	Receivables and Patrons' Checks (Net of Allowance for Doubtful Accounts - 2017, \$6,377 ; 2016, \$8,168		15,494	12,819
4	Inventories		4,080	2,813
5	Other Current Assets.....	3	4,314	4,732
6	Total Current Assets.....		107,035	139,307
7	Investments, Advances, and Receivables.....	4, 8	163,434	107,154
8	Property and Equipment - Gross.....	2	332,123	301,906
9	Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization.....	2	(106,398)	(83,699)
10	Property and Equipment - Net.....	2	225,725	218,207
11	Other Assets.....	5, 8	166,539	175,773
12	Total Assets.....		\$662,733	\$640,441
	<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY:</u>			
	Current Liabilities:			
13	Accounts Payable.....		\$10,895	\$7,845
14	Notes Payable.....		0	0
	Current Portion of Long-Term Debt:			
15	Due to Affiliates.....	6	814	814
16	External.....		0	0
17	Income Taxes Payable and Accrued.....		0	0
18	Other Accrued Expenses.....	10	32,171	30,372
19	Other Current Liabilities.....	11	9,496	8,098
20	Total Current Liabilities.....		53,376	47,129
	Long-Term Debt:			
21	Due to Affiliates.....	6	76,851	77,427
22	External.....		0	0
23	Deferred Credits		0	0
24	Other Liabilities.....		0	0
25	Commitments and Contingencies.....		0	0
26	Total Liabilities.....		130,227	124,556
27	Stockholders', Partners', or Proprietor's Equity.....		532,506	515,885
28	Total Liabilities and Equity.....		\$662,733	\$640,441

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.
Valid comparisons cannot be made without using information contained in the notes.

TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT STATEMENTS OF INCOME

FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017 AND 2016

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Line (a)	Description (b)	Notes	2017 (c)	2016 (d)
	Revenue:			
1	Casino.....		\$90,991	\$72,702
2	Rooms.....		11,703	10,613
3	Food and Beverage.....		7,265	7,611
4	Other.....		3,202	3,523
5	Total Revenue.....		113,161	94,449
6	Less: Promotional Allowances.....		24,901	19,534
7	Net Revenue.....		88,260	74,915
	Costs and Expenses:			
8	Casino.....		29,415	25,956
9	Rooms, Food and Beverage.....		8,136	7,867
10	General, Administrative and Other.....	7	34,468	33,782
11	Total Costs and Expenses.....		72,019	67,605
12	Gross Operating Profit.....		16,241	7,310
13	Depreciation and Amortization.....	2	6,330	5,427
	Charges from Affiliates Other than Interest:			
14	Management Fees.....	8	1,749	1,701
15	Other.....		0	0
16	Income (Loss) from Operations.....		8,162	182
	Other Income (Expenses):			
17	Interest Expense - Affiliates.....		(858)	(872)
18	Interest Expense - External.....		0	0
19	CRDA Related Income (Expense) - Net.....	4, 7	123	(392)
20	Nonoperating Income (Expense) - Net.....	12	(7)	91
21	Total Other Income (Expenses).....		(742)	(1,173)
22	Income (Loss) Before Taxes		7,420	(991)
23	Provision (Credit) for Income Taxes.....		0	0
24	Net Income (Loss).....		\$7,420	(\$991)

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TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

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Line (a)	Description (b)	Notes	Common Stock		Preferred Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital (g)		Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit) (i)	Total Stockholders' Equity (Deficit) (j)
			Shares (c)	Amount (d)	Shares (e)	Amount (f)				
1	Balance, December 31, 2015.....						\$282,128		\$234,748	\$516,876
2	Net Income (Loss) - 2016.....							8,210	8,210	
3	Contribution to Paid-in-Capital.....									0
4	Dividends.....									0
5	Prior Period Adjustments.....									0
6									0
7									0
8									0
9									0
10	Balance, December 31, 2016.....		0	0	0	0	282,128	0	242,958	525,086
11	Net Income (Loss) - 2017.....							7,420	7,420	
12	Contribution to Paid-in-Capital.....									0
13	Dividends.....									0
14	Prior Period Adjustments.....									0
15									0
16									0
17									0
18									0
19	Balance, March 31, 2017		0	\$0	0	\$0	\$282,128	\$0	\$250,378	\$532,506

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TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017 AND 2016

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Line (a)	Description (b)	Notes	2017 (c)	2016 (d)
1	CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES..		\$8,769	\$3,686
	CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
2	Purchase of Short-Term Investments		0	0
3	Proceeds from the Sale of Short-Term Investments		0	0
4	Cash Outflows for Property and Equipment.....		(10,499)	(9,847)
5	Proceeds from Disposition of Property and Equipment.....		2	0
6	CRDA Obligations	4	(326)	(1,048)
7	Other Investments, Loans and Advances made.....	4	7,066	7,116
8	Proceeds from Other Investments, Loans, and Advances	4	0	2,174
9	Cash Outflows to Acquire Business Entities.....		0	0
10	Proceeds from Sales and Luxury Tax Credits		857	857
11				
12	Net Cash Provided (Used) By Investing Activities.....		(2,900)	(748)
	CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
13	Proceeds from Short-Term Debt		0	0
14	Payments to Settle Short-Term Debt.....		0	0
15	Proceeds from Long-Term Debt		0	0
16	Costs of Issuing Debt.....		0	0
17	Payments to Settle Long-Term Debt.....		0	0
18	Cash Proceeds from Issuing Stock or Capital Contributions...		0	0
19	Purchases of Treasury Stock.....		0	0
20	Payments of Dividends or Capital Withdrawals.....		0	0
21				
22				
23	Net Cash Provided (Used) By Financing Activities.....		0	0
24	Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents.....		5,869	2,938
25	Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period.....		77,278	116,005
26	Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period.....		\$83,147	\$118,943
	CASH PAID DURING PERIOD FOR:			
27	Interest (Net of Amount Capitalized).....		\$0	\$0
28	Income Taxes.....		\$0	\$0

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FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017 AND 2016

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Line (a)	Description (b)	Notes	2017 (c)	2016 (d)
	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
29	Net Income (Loss).....		\$7,420	(\$991)
30	Depreciation and Amortization of Property and Equipment.....	2	6,330	5,427
31	Amortization of Other Assets.....		0	0
32	Amortization of Debt Discount or Premium.....		0	0
33	Deferred Income Taxes - Current		0	0
34	Deferred Income Taxes - Noncurrent		0	0
35	(Gain) Loss on Disposition of Property and Equipment.....	12	154	0
36	(Gain) Loss on CRDA-Related Obligations.....	4	(1,099)	392
37	(Gain) Loss from Other Investment Activities.....		0	0
38	(Increase) Decrease in Receivables and Patrons' Checks		(2,121)	(46)
39	(Increase) Decrease in Inventories		(430)	312
40	(Increase) Decrease in Other Current Assets.....		(858)	(1,274)
41	(Increase) Decrease in Other Assets.....		(250)	69
42	Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable.....		(345)	(58)
43	Increase (Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities		(32)	(145)
44	Increase (Decrease) in Other Liabilities		0	0
45	Loss on Impairment of Intangible Assets		0	0
46				
47	Net Cash Provided (Used) By Operating Activities.....		\$8,769	\$3,686

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION

	ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:			
48	Additions to Property and Equipment.....		(\$10,499)	(\$9,847)
49	Less: Capital Lease Obligations Incurred.....			
50	Cash Outflows for Property and Equipment.....		(\$10,499)	(\$9,847)
	ACQUISITION OF BUSINESS ENTITIES:			
51	Property and Equipment Acquired.....			
52	Goodwill Acquired.....			
53	Other Assets Acquired - net			
54	Long-Term Debt Assumed.....			
55	Issuance of Stock or Capital Invested.....			
56	Cash Outflows to Acquire Business Entities.....		\$0	\$0
	STOCK ISSUED OR CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS:			
57	Total Issuances of Stock or Capital Contributions.....		\$0	\$0
58	Less: Issuances to Settle Long-Term Debt.....		0	0
59	Consideration in Acquisition of Business Entities.....		0	0
60	Cash Proceeds from Issuing Stock or Capital Contributions.....		\$0	\$0

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**TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT
SCHEDULE OF PROMOTIONAL
EXPENSES AND ALLOWANCES**

FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017
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Line (a)	Description (b)	Promotional Allowances		Promotional Expenses	
		Number of Recipients (c)	Dollar Amount (d)	Number of Recipients (e)	Dollar Amount (f)
1	Rooms	92,654	\$5,059	0	\$0
2	Food	109,970	1,800	86,208	1,411
3	Beverage	1,767,421	2,098	0	0
4	Travel	0	0	630	189
5	Bus Program Cash	742	50	0	0
6	Promotional Gaming Credits	166,075	14,165	0	0
7	Complimentary Cash Gifts	248,686	1,664	0	0
8	Entertainment	10,744	65	26	5
9	Retail & Non-Cash Gifts	0	0	118,657	1,170
10	Parking	0	0	178,137	535
11	Other	0	0	12,774	128
12	Total	2,396,292	\$24,901	396,432	\$3,438

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*No item in this category (Other) exceeds 5%.

TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT STATEMENT OF CONFORMITY, ACCURACY, AND COMPLIANCE

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

1. I have examined this Quarterly Report.
2. All the information contained in this Quarterly Report has been prepared in conformity with the Division's Quarterly Report Instructions and Uniform Chart of Accounts.
3. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained in this report is accurate.
4. To the best of my knowledge and belief, except for the deficiencies noted below, the licensee submitting this Quarterly Report has remained in compliance with the financial stability regulations contained in N.J.S.A. 5:12-84a(1)-(5) during the quarter.

5/15/2017

Date



Christina Broome

Vice President- Finance

Title

7571-11

License Number

On Behalf of:

TROPICANA CASINO AND RESORT

Casino Licensee

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. ("the Company") and its wholly-owned subsidiary Tropicana AC Sub Corp. ("TAC Sub"), after elimination of all significant intercompany accounts and transactions.

The Company operates a casino hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey ("the Property") and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tropicana Entertainment, Inc. ("TE").

On March 8, 2010 ("the Acquisition Date"), the Tropicana Casino & Resort was acquired along with the other assets of Adamar of New Jersey, Inc. by TE ("the Acquisition"). The newly acquired company was formed as Tropicana Atlantic City Corp, a New Jersey corporation. Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. formed a wholly owned subsidiary, TAC Sub, a New Jersey corporation. The new corporations were formed in accordance with the terms of the Amended and Restated Purchase agreement that was approved by the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey, on November 4, 2009 and the New Jersey Casino Control Commission ("NJCCC") on November 19, 2009.

In November 2013, the Company received authorization from the New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement to commence continuous, 24-hour Internet gaming ("IGaming") on its online gaming site, TropicanaCasino.com. Tropicana Atlantic City Online showcases a variety of slot game options and classic casino table games. Players have the opportunity to participate in community jackpots and to be rewarded with both on-property and online incentives and have the chance to participate in a variety of promotions. All participants must be 21 or older and physically located in the State of New Jersey to play.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates incorporated in our consolidated financial statements include the estimated useful lives for depreciable and amortizable assets, the estimated allowance for doubtful accounts receivable, the estimated valuation allowance for deferred tax assets, certain tax liabilities, estimated cash flows in assessing the impairment of long-lived assets, intangible assets, New Jersey Casino Reinvestment Development Authority ("CRDA") investments, fair values of acquired assets and liabilities, self-insured liability reserves, customer loyalty program reserves, contingencies, litigation, claims, assessments and loss contingencies. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash, cash on hand in the casino cages, money market funds and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:69O-1.3(j) the Property maintains a separate New Jersey bank account to ensure security of funds held in patrons internet gaming accounts. On March 31, 2017 and 2016 the above mentioned account balance was \$5,293 and \$1,179, respectively which included patron's deposits in IGaming accounts of \$542 and \$410, respectively.

Receivables

Receivables consist primarily of casino, hotel and other receivables, net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. Receivables are typically non-interest bearing and are initially recorded at cost. Accounts are written off when management deems the account to be uncollectible. An estimated allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained to reduce the Company's receivables to their expected realization, which approximates fair value. The allowance is estimated based on specific review of customer accounts as well as historical collection experience and current economic and business conditions. Recoveries of accounts previously written off are recorded when received.

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Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalent accounts maintained in financial institutions and accounts receivable. Bank accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000 or with the Securities Investor Protection Corporation up to \$500,000. Concentration of credit risk, with respect to casino receivables, is limited through the Company's credit evaluation process. The Company issues markers to approved casino customers following credit checks and investigation of credit worthiness.

Inventories

Inventories, which consist primarily of food, beverage, uniforms and operating supplies, are stated at the lower of cost or market value. Costs are determined using the average cost method.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment under business combination guidance is stated at fair value as of the Acquisition Date. Property and equipment acquired subsequent to the Acquisition Date is stated at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets or, for capital leases and leasehold improvements, over the shorter of the asset's useful life or the term of the lease. Gains or losses on disposals of assets are recognized as incurred. Costs of major improvements are capitalized, while costs of normal repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

The Company must make estimates and assumptions when accounting for capital expenditures. Whether an expenditure is considered a maintenance expense or a capital asset is a matter of judgment. In contrast to normal repair and maintenance costs that are expensed when incurred, items the Company classifies as maintenance capital are expenditures necessary to keep its existing properties at their current levels and are typically replacement items due to the normal wear and tear of its properties and equipment as a result of use and age. The Company's depreciation expense is highly dependent on the assumptions it makes about its assets' estimated useful lives. The Company determines the estimated useful lives based on its experience with similar assets, engineering studies and its estimate of the usage of the asset. Whenever events or circumstances occur that change the estimated useful life of an asset, the Company accounts for the change prospectively.

CRDA Investment

The CRDA deposits are carried at fair value. The CRDA deposits are recorded at fair value and are used to purchase CRDA bonds that carry below market interest rates unless an alternative investment is approved. A valuation allowance is established, unless there is an agreement with the CRDA for a return of the deposit at full face value, by a charge to the statement of income. If the CRDA deposits are used to purchase CRDA bonds, the valuation allowance is transferred to the bonds as a discount, which is amortized to interest income using the interest method. If the CRDA deposits are used to make other investments, the valuation allowance is transferred to those investments and remains a valuation allowance. The CRDA bonds are classified as held-to-maturity securities and are carried at amortized cost less any adjustments for other than temporary impairments.

As a result of the NJ PILOT Law, which was enacted in May 2016, the portion of investment alternative tax payments made by casino operators which are deposited with the CRDA and which have not been pledged for the payment of bonds issued by the CRDA will be allocated to the State of New Jersey for purposes of paying debt service on bonds previously issued by Atlantic City. That portion of the deposits which will be allocated to the State of New Jersey are no longer recorded as an investment with a corresponding allowance, but are charged directly to general and administrative expenses.

Leasing Costs

Leasing costs are capitalized as incurred and amortized evenly, as a reduction to rental income, over the related lease terms. Leasing costs consist primarily of tenant allowances, which are incentives provided to tenants whereby the Company agrees to pay certain

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amounts toward tenant leasehold improvements or other tenant development costs. Leasing costs are included in Other Assets on the balance sheet.

Valuation of Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets held and used by the Company are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances warrant such a review. The carrying value of a long-lived or amortizable intangible asset is considered impaired when the anticipated undiscounted cash flow from such asset is separately identifiable and is less than its carrying value. In that event, a loss is recognized based on the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair value of the asset.

Intangible Assets

The Company's definite life intangible assets include customer lists and favorable lease agreements. Intangible assets with a definite life are amortized over their useful life, which is the period over which the asset is expected to contribute directly or indirectly to future cash flows. Management periodically assesses the amortization period of intangible assets with definite lives based upon estimated future cash flows from related operations.

Self-Insurance Reserves

The Company is self-insured up to certain stop loss amounts for employee health coverage, workers' compensation and general liability claims. Insurance claims and reserves include accruals of estimated settlements for known claims, as well as accruals of estimates for claims incurred but not yet reported as estimated by management with the assistance of a third party. In estimating these accruals, historical loss experience is considered and judgments are made about the expected levels of costs per claim. The Company believes its estimates of future liability are reasonable based upon its methodology; however, changes in health care costs, accident frequency and severity and other factors could materially affect the estimates for these liabilities. The Company continually monitors changes in claim type and incident and evaluates the insurance accrual, making necessary adjustments based on the evaluation of these qualitative data points. The Company's accrual for general liability claims was approximately \$1,384 and \$1,039 at March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The Company's accrual for workers compensation and employee health insurance claims was approximately \$5,845 and \$5,663 at March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Customer Loyalty Program

The Company provides certain customer loyalty programs (the "Programs") at its casino, which allow customers to redeem points earned from their gaming activity for cash, food, beverage, rooms or merchandise. Under the Programs, customers are able to accumulate points that may be redeemed in the future, subject to certain limitations and the terms of the Programs. The Company records a liability for the estimated cost of the outstanding points under the Programs that it believes will ultimately be redeemed. The estimated cost of the outstanding points under the Programs is calculated based on estimates and assumptions regarding marginal costs of the goods and services, redemption rates and the mix of goods and services for which the points are expected to be redeemed. For points that may be redeemed for cash, the Company accrues this cost (after consideration of estimated redemption rates) as they are earned, which is included in promotional allowances. For points that may only be redeemed for goods or services but cannot be redeemed for cash, the Company estimates the cost and accrues for this expense as the points are earned from gaming play, which is recorded as casino operating costs and expenses. At March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had \$2,404 and \$2,605, respectively, accrued for the estimated cost of anticipated redemptions under the Programs.

Revenue Recognition and Promotional Allowances

Casino revenue represents the difference between wins and losses from gaming activities, and is reported net of cash and free play incentives redeemed by customers. Room, food and beverage and other operating revenues are recognized at the time the goods or services are provided. The Company collects taxes from customers at the point of sale on transactions subject to sales and other taxes. Revenues are recorded net of any taxes collected. The majority of our casino revenue is counted in the form of cash and chips and, therefore, is not subject to any significant or complex estimation. The retail value of rooms, food and beverage and other services

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provided to customers on a complimentary basis is included in gross revenues and then deducted as promotional allowances. Promotional allowances also include incentives earned in our slot bonus program such as cash, complimentary play, and the estimated retail value of goods and services (such as complimentary rooms and food and beverages). We reward customers, through the use of bonus programs, with points based on amounts wagered that can be redeemed for a specified period of time, principally for complimentary play, and to a lesser extent for goods or services.

Internet Gaming Operations

On November 21, 2013 the Company commenced online gaming operations with Gamesys Limited ("Gamesys") as our exclusive internet provider. The Company currently offers two online gaming brands TropicanaCasino.com and VirginCasino.com. IGaming casino revenues represent the difference between wins and losses from online gaming activities and are recognized net of internet revenues from the Virgin Casino site as a component of Casino Revenue in the Statements of Income. Progressive jackpots are accrued on IGaming progressive games when earned and recorded on the Statements of Income as a component of Casino Revenue. The Company makes cash promotional offers to certain of its IGaming customers, including cash rebates as part of loyalty programs generally based on an individual's level of gaming play. These costs are classified as promotional allowances.

The State of New Jersey imposes an annual tax of 15% on IGaming gross revenue. These taxes along with expenses for software & licensing fees, royalty fees and payment processing fees are recorded as a component of Casino costs & expenses. Certain legal, marketing, advertising and administrative fees associated with the setup and ongoing support of IGaming are reflected in General, Administrative and Other on the Statements of Income.

An Internet Gaming Permit Fee of \$250 along with a Responsible Internet Gaming Fee of \$250 is required annually. These fees are treated as prepaid expenses and are written off over the year. IGaming licensees are also required to invest an additional 2.5% of gross casino revenue to satisfy investment obligations with the CRDA.

Advertising Costs

The Company expenses advertising costs as incurred or the first time the advertising takes place. Advertising expense is generally recognized in General, administrative and other on the Statement of Income and totaled \$2,158 and \$2,849 for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Income taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in income in the period that included the enactment date. Future tax benefits are recognized to the extent that realization of those benefits is considered more likely than not, and a valuation allowance is established for deferred tax assets which do not meet this threshold.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

As defined under GAAP, fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability between market participants in the principal market or in the most advantageous market when no principal market exists. Adjustments to transaction prices or quoted market prices may be required in illiquid or disorderly markets in order to estimate fair value. Considerable judgment may be required in interpreting market data used to develop the estimates of fair value. Accordingly, estimates of fair value presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that could be realized in a current or future market exchange.

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Recently Issued Accounting Standards

A variety of proposed or otherwise potential accounting standards are currently under consideration by standard-setting organizations and certain regulatory agencies. Because of the tentative and preliminary nature of such proposed standards, we have not yet determined the effect, if any, that the implementation of such proposed standards would have on our financial statements.

Disclosures Not Presented

In accordance with the Division of Gaming Enforcement Financial Reporting guidelines, the Company has elected not to include certain disclosures which have not changed significantly since the most recent Annual Report filing. Accordingly, the following disclosures have been omitted: Retirement Plans, Fair Value of Financial Instruments and Income Taxes.

NOTE 2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and Equipment consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	2017	2016
Land and land improvements	\$ 68,020	\$ 68,020
Building and improvements	158,645	136,296
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	102,429	86,518
Construction in progress	<u>3,029</u>	<u>11,072</u>
Total property and equipment-gross	332,123	301,906
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>(106,398)</u>	<u>(83,699)</u>
Total property and equipment	<u>\$ 225,725</u>	<u>\$ 218,207</u>

Depreciation expense related to property and equipment was \$6,330 and \$5,427 for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 respectively.

NOTE 3. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Other Current Assets consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	2017	2016
Prepaid insurance	\$ 2,051	\$ 1,946
Prepaid taxes & licenses	595	594
Other	<u>1,668</u>	<u>2,192</u>
Total other current assets	<u>\$ 4,314</u>	<u>\$ 4,732</u>

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NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS

The New Jersey Casino Control Act provides, among other things, for an assessment of licensees equal to 1.25% of their gross gaming revenues and 2.5% on IGaming gross revenue in lieu of an investment alternative tax equal to 2.5% of gross gaming revenues and 5% on IGaming gross revenue. The Company may satisfy this investment obligation by investing in qualified eligible direct investments, by making qualified contributions or by depositing funds with the CRDA. Funds deposited with the CRDA may be used to purchase bonds designated by the CRDA or, under certain circumstances, may be donated to the CRDA in exchange for credits against future CRDA investment obligations. According to the Casino Control Act, funds on deposit with the CRDA are invested by the CRDA and the resulting income is shared two-thirds to the casino licensee and one third to the CRDA. Further, the Casino Control Act requires that CRDA bonds be issued at statutory rates established at two-third of market value.

The CRDA bonds have various contractual maturities that range from 6 to 38 years. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because of prepayment rights.

Investments consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	2017	2016
Investment in bonds-CRDA	\$ 18,641	\$ 16,551
Less unamortized discount	(4,352)	(4,271)
Less valuation allowance	(4,115)	(3,862)
Deposits - CRDA	17,247	19,798
Less valuation allowance	(8,905)	(4,967)
Direct investment - CRDA	2,494	1,610
Less valuation allowance	(2,494)	(1,610)
 Total investments	 \$ 18,516	 \$ 23,249

In September 2014, the Company commenced work on a multi-phase construction project. The expansion project includes the addition of a state of the art fitness center, multi-million dollar boardwalk façade sound and light show, a 434 room hotel tower refurbishment and the renovation of the north tower casino floor. The Company has an agreement with the CRDA for approximately \$18,800 in funding (“Approved CRDA Project Funds”) in connection with this expansion project. During the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2016 approximately \$18,283 was submitted for reimbursement, of which \$15,248 was received in 2015, and \$3,035 was received in 2016.

On April 19, 2016 the CRDA approved an application by the Company to increase the scope of the approved Company’s project to include additional project elements and amend the CRDA grant agreement related to the Company’s project to permit an \$8,000 increase in the CRDA fund reservation and corresponding increase in the Approved CRDA Project Funds from \$18,800 to \$26,800 and a rescheduled substantial completion date for the Company project to not later than June 30, 2017. In exchange for the approval, the Company agreed to donate the balance of its CRDA deposits in the amount of approximately \$7,068 to the CRDA pursuant to NJSA 5:12-177. The Company recorded \$5,385 of expense in 2016 to fully reserve the funds that will be donated to the CRDA per this agreement.

In the three months ended March 31, 2017 the Company submitted \$5,076 for reimbursement under the amended CRDA grant agreement.

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NOTE 5. OTHER ASSETS

Other Assets consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Deferred tax asset- non current	\$ 155,694	\$ 173,610
Intangible assets	7,500	-
Other	<u>3,345</u>	<u>2,163</u>
Total other assets	<u>\$ 166,539</u>	<u>\$ 175,773</u>

Intangible assets represent the Company's purchase of the Taj Mahal customer database on March 31, 2017.

NOTE 6. DEBT

TE has long-term debt where the Company is a guarantor and substantially all of the Company's property and equipment is pledged as collateral. As a result, a portion of TE's debt and unamortized debt discount is allocated to the Company based on total asset valuation.

The Company's allocated portion of TE's long-term debt consisted of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
TE Term Loan Facility; 4.0% due 2020, net of unamortized discount of \$209 and \$267 at March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively and debt issuance costs of \$653 at March 31, 2017	\$ 77,665	\$ 78,241
Less: current portion	(814)	(814)
Long-term debt	<u>\$ 76,851</u>	<u>\$ 77,427</u>

On November 27, 2013, TE entered into (i) a senior secured first lien term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$300 million, issued at a discount of 0.5% (the "Term Loan Facility") and (ii) a senior secured first lien revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$15 million (the "Revolving Facility" and, together with the Term Loan Facility, the "Credit Facilities"). Commencing on December 31, 2013, the Term Loan Facility is amortized in equal quarterly installments in an amount of \$750, with any remaining balance payable on the final maturity date of the Term Loan Facility, which is November 27, 2020. Amounts under the Revolving Facility are available to be borrowed and re-borrowed until its termination on November 27, 2018. TE allocates its debt and unamortized debt discount to its subsidiaries based on the portion of collateralized assets at each subsidiary.

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The Term Loan Facility accrues interest, at a floating per annum rate (as defined in the Credit Agreement) such that the applicable interest rate shall not be less than 4.0%. As of March 31, 2017, the interest rate on the Term Loan Facility was 4.0% and no amounts were outstanding under the Revolving Facility.

NOTE 7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Licensing

On November 10, 2010, the Company was granted its plenary casino license by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission.

The State of New Jersey imposes an annual tax of 8% on gross casino revenue and, commencing with the operations of IGaming, an annual tax of 15% on IGaming gross revenue. Pursuant to legislation adopted in 1984, casino license holders or IGaming permit holders are required to invest an additional 1.25% of gross casino revenue and 2.5% of IGaming gross revenue for the purchase of bonds to be issued by the CRDA or to make other approved investments equal to those amounts; and in the event the investment requirement is not met, the casino license holder or IGaming permit holder is subject to a tax of 2.5% on gross casino revenue and 5.0% on IGaming gross revenue. As mandated by the legislation, the interest rate of the CRDA bonds purchased by the licensee will be two-thirds of the average market rate for bonds available for purchase and published by a national bond index at the time of the CRDA bond issuance.

2011 Legislation

On February 1, 2011, New Jersey enacted legislation (the "Tourism District Bill") that delegated redevelopment authority and creation of a master plan to the CRDA and allowed the CRDA the ability to enter into a five year public private partnership with the casinos in Atlantic City that have formed the Atlantic City Alliance ("ACA") to jointly market the city. The legislation obligated the Atlantic City casinos either through the ACA or, if not a member of the ACA, through individual assessments, to provide funding for the Tourism District Bill in the aggregate amount of \$30.0 million annually through 2016. Each Atlantic City casino's proportionate share of the assessment is based on the gross revenue generated in the preceding fiscal year (see NJ PILOT Law for further discussion of the ACA).

NJ PILOT Law

On May 27, 2016, New Jersey enacted the Casino Property Tax Stabilization Act (the "NJ PILOT Law") which will exempt Atlantic City casino gaming properties from ad valorem property taxation in exchange for an agreement to make annual payment in lieu of tax payments ("PILOT Payments") to the City of Atlantic City, make certain changes to the NJ Tourism Law and redirect certain IAT payments to assist in the stabilization of Atlantic City finances. Under the NJ PILOT Law, commencing in 2017 and for a period of ten (10) years Atlantic City casino gaming properties will be required to pay a prorated share of PILOT Payments totaling \$120 million based on a formula that accounts for gaming revenues, the number of hotel rooms and the square footage of each casino gaming property. Commencing in 2018 and each year thereafter, the \$120 million base year aggregate payment may either increase to as high as \$165 million (based upon industry gross gaming revenue ("GGR") of between \$3.0 billion and \$3.4 billion) or decrease to a low of \$90 million (based upon industry GGR less than \$1.8 billion) and further taking into account certain non-GGR revenue streams, with the base year \$120 million industry GGR set at between \$2.2 billion and \$2.6 billion. In years in which the industry PILOT Payments do not increase based upon an increase in GGR above the base year or other bracketed amounts, PILOT Payments will increase 2%. In February 2017, the Company signed an interim PILOT agreement with the State and the City related to payment of the first quarter 2017 PILOT payment.

The NJ PILOT Law also provides for the abolishment of the ACA effective as of January 1, 2015 and redirection of the \$30 million in ACA funds paid by the casinos for 2015 and accrued in 2016 under the Tourism District Law to the State of New Jersey for Atlantic City fiscal relief and further payments of \$15 million in 2017, \$10 million in 2018 and \$5 million for each year between 2019 and 2023 to Atlantic City. Pursuant to the NJ PILOT Law, the 2015 and 2016 ACA payments have been remitted to the State. The Company paid \$460 for the three months ended March 31, 2017.

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In addition, the NJ PILOT Law also provides for IAT payments made by the casino operators which were previously deposited with the CRDA and which have not been pledged for the payment of bonds issued by the CRDA, or any bonds issued to refund such bonds to be allocated to the State of New Jersey for purposes of paying debt service on bonds previously issued by Atlantic City.

Realty Taxes

For the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded, as a component of General, administrative and other, realty tax expense for the land and improvements of \$5,025 and \$5,942 respectively.

Other

The Company is a party to various claims, legal actions and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business or asserted by way of defense or counter-claim in actions filed by the Company. Management believes that its defenses are substantial in each of these matters, and the Company's legal posture can be successfully defended or satisfactorily settled without material adverse effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

NOTE 8. RELATED PARTIES

Advances to affiliates are reflected in Investments, Advances and Receivables. The identity of the affiliate and corresponding balances at March 31, 2017 and 2016 are as follows (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	2017	2016
Due from Tropicana Entertainment Inc.	\$ 143,859	\$ 83,298
Due from TEI (ES) LLC	572	364
Due from Centroplex-Baton Rouge	304	143
Due from Evansville	183	100
	\$ 144,918	\$ 83,905

Transactions with TE include activity principally related to TE's Term Loan Facility, joint insurance programs, federal income tax filings, and other administrative services. The Company operates a Reservation Call Center for which it charges the Lumiere Hotel ("TEI (ES), LLC"), Centroplex Baton Rouge, and Evansville a fee. TEI (ES) LLC, Centroplex Baton Rouge, and Evansville are wholly owned Subsidiaries of TE. In April 2014, September 2014 and July 2015, the Company began taking reservations through its call center for Hotel Lumiere, Centroplex Baton Rouge and Evansville respectively. The Company charged TEI (ES), LLC, Centroplex Baton Rouge and Evansville for the services provided.

Various corporate services were provided to the Company in the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 for which a management fee was charged. For the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 the Company recorded a management fee of \$1,749 and \$1,701 respectively.

Effective October 1, 2016, the Company and Trump Entertainment Resorts, Inc. ("TER") entered into a Database License Agreement pursuant to which the Company licensed the Taj Mahal customer database from TER. On March 31, 2017 the Company and TER agreed to terminate the Database License Agreement and TEI entered into a Customer Database and IP Sales Agreement, pursuant to which TEI purchased the Taj Mahal customer database. TEI has estimated the value of the customer database to be \$7,500, which was recorded on the Company's balance sheet as of March 31, 2017, and amortized on a straight-line basis over three years, commencing April 1, 2017.

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NOTE 9. LEASES

For the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded, as a component of Other Revenue on the Statements of Income, rental revenue of \$1,424 and \$1,370 respectively.

The future minimum lease payments to be received under non-cancelable operating leases for the nine months and years subsequent to March 31, 2017 are as follows (in thousands):

2017	\$3,718
2018	4,449
2019	3,900
2020	2,498
2021	2,297
Thereafter.....	4,977
Total.....	<u>\$21,839</u>

The above minimum rental income does not include contingent rental income or common area maintenance costs contained within certain retail operating leases.

NOTE 10. OTHER ACCRUED EXPENSES

Other Accrued Expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Accrued payroll, taxes, and benefits	\$ 17,367	\$ 14,575
Insurance reserves	7,229	6,702
Accrued comp liability	2,444	2,637
Accrued taxes	2,311	2,875
Other	<u>2,820</u>	<u>3,583</u>
Total other accrued expenses	<u>\$ 32,171</u>	<u>\$ 30,372</u>

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NOTE 11. OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Other Current Liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Chip liability	\$ 2,126	\$ 1,869
Other	<u>7,370</u>	<u>6,229</u>
Total other current liabilities	<u>\$ 9,496</u>	<u>\$ 8,098</u>

NOTE 12. NON-OPERATING INCOME/EXPENSE

Non-operating Income/(Expense) consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Interest income	\$ 147	\$ 91
Loss on disposal of asset	<u>(154)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total non-operating (expense)/income	<u>\$ (7)</u>	<u>\$ 91</u>