# ORDER 2015-151 AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION IN RE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BELTERRA CASINO AND RESORT 15-BT-03

After having reviewed the attached Settlement Agreement, the Indiana Gaming Commission hereby:

### **APPROVES**

the proposed terms of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 17th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

Cris Johnston Chair

ATTEST:

Joseph Svetanoff, Secretary

# STATE OF INDIANA INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION

IN RE THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	SETTLEMENT
BELTERRA CASINO AND RESORT	)	15-BT-03
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#### SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") by and through its Executive Director Sara Gonso Tait and Belterra Casino and Resort ("Belterra") (collectively, the "Parties") desire to settle this matter prior to the initiation of a disciplinary proceeding pursuant to 68 IAC 13-1-18(a). The Parties stipulate and agree that the following facts are true:

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. 68 IAC 14-3-2 (b) states that all playing cards must meet the following specifications: (1) all decks of cards must be a complete standard deck of fifty-two cards in four suits. The four suits shall be hearts, diamonds, clubs and spades. Each suit shall consist of numerical cards from: (A) two to ten; (B) a jack; (C) a queen; (D) a king; and (E) an ace.
- 2. On July 15, 2015, a Gaming Agent was contacted by a Surveillance Supervisor regarding two cards that had not been removed from the box before the game was put into play. The Agent reviewed video coverage and found that the cards were checked and counted at the opening of the table. At 1830 hours it appeared the Dealer began closing the table. The Dealer counted the cards then placed them in the discard rack. The Dealer was tapped out by another Dealer. Dealer #2 removed the cards from the discard rack and placed the cards in boxes to be cancelled. Dealer #2 began to count down the float which further suggested that the table was being closed. Dealer #2 was then observed talking to the Floor Supervisor and after, removed the cards from the boxes. Dealer #2 then mucks the cards and the cards are put into play without the two cards that remained in one of the boxes. The cards were in play from approximately 1840 hours until 0421 hours. Both the Dealer and Floor Supervisor received disciplinary action.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Commission staff alleges that the acts or omissions of Belterra by and through its agents as described herein constitute a breach of the Riverboat Gambling Act, Title 68 of the Indiana Administrative Code and/or Belterra's approved internal control procedures. The Commission and Belterra hereby agree to a monetary settlement of the alleged violations described herein in lieu of the Commission pursuing formal disciplinary action against Belterra. This agreement is being entered into to avoid the potential expense and inconvenience of disciplinary action.

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Belterra shall pay to the Commission \$1,500 in consideration for the Commission foregoing disciplinary action based on the facts specifically described in each count of this agreement. This agreement extends only to those violations and findings of fact, specifically alleged herein. If the Commission subsequently discovers facts that give rise to additional or separate violations, which are not described herein, the Commission may pursue disciplinary action for such violations even if the subsequent violations are similar or related to an incident described herein.

Upon execution and approval of this Settlement Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Agreement to the Commission for review and final action. Upon approval of the Settlement Agreement by the Commission, Belterra agrees to promptly remit payment in the amount of \$1,500 and shall waive all rights to further administrative or judicial review.

This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No prior or subsequent understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified or referenced within this document will be valid provisions of this Settlement Agreement. This Settlement Agreement may not be modified, supplemented, or amended, in any manner, except by written agreement signed by all Parties.

This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon the Commission and Belterra.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Settlement Agreement on the date and year as set forth below.

Sara Gonso Tait, Executive Director Indiana Gaming Commission

9/9/15

Date

Sue Ascanio, General Manager Belterra Casino and Resort

9-1-15

Date