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GAMBLING COMMISSION

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September 1, 1999

Ms. Kathleen Worley
Director of Compliance
Shuffle Master Gaming
1106 Palms Airport Drive
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Dear Ms. Worley:

You requested Commission review and approval of updated software for your BG3, Multi-deck, and ACE™ models of shuffling devices to determine compliance with regulatory requirements for operation in Washington. WAC 230-04-110 requires such approval. On August 27, 1999, Special Agent Steve Young met with Mr. Sean Ellingsworth, Service Supervisor for Shuffle Master in Washington, to review the operation of the above listed shufflers with the upgraded software.

It is our understanding the software upgrades to the MD1, MD1.1, and BG3 models of shuffling devices removes the training and demo modes, as appropriate, from the applicable machines. Additionally, it is understood the software upgrade to the ACE™ shuffling device allows for a faster shuffle when there are four or less players as follows:

- The dummy moves are taken out.
- The rack motor speed varies depending on the number of players. The rack moves faster when there are 4 or less players.
- In the Set Up mode, the load and unload offsets can be tested via two new menu items.
- The gate up/down motion has a timeout if the sensors are not made.

Based upon the results obtained during the review, we have found the products and versions listed below to be suitable for installation in Washington. Therefore, they are hereby approved. Specifically:

<u>Product</u>	<u>Version</u>	<u>Chip ID</u>	<u>KOBE</u>	<u>CHECKSUM</u>
Multi-Deck 1 & 1.1	5.21NJ	WSI PSD411A2	N/A	5B2DB3
BG-3	3.36	27C256	0A55	A486
ACE™	6.43	27C512	H03P	26B4

The processes reviewed during this visit were limited and, accordingly, the Commission reserves the right to perform an additional review of the above products in the future, using such methods and procedures as the Commission deems necessary at the time. It is anticipated that once all of

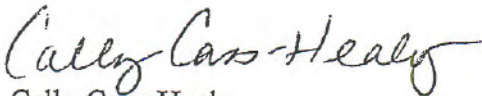
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the upgraded software chips are installed, a random inspection will be conducted to verify compliance.

The final cost for the review is \$110.00 (4 hours less 2 free hours @ \$55 per hour). Please remit this amount to our business office at PO Box 42400, Olympia, WA 98504-2400 no later than September 17, 1999.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Special Agent Steve Young at (253) 471-5312, extension 234.

Sincerely,



Cally Cass-Healy
Assistant Director
Field Operations

cc: Manufacturer/Distributor Coordinator
Amusement Game/Gambling Device Coordinator