Casino Control (Casino Licence and Fees) Regulations 2009

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CASINO CONTROL ACT (CHAPTER 33A)

CASINO CONTROL (CASINO LICENCE AND FEES) REGULATIONS 2009

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 44, 45, 49, 51 and 200 of the Casino Control Act, the Casino Regulatory Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Home Affairs, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Casino Control (Casino Licence and Fees) Regulations 2009 and shall come into operation on 23rd September 2009.

PARTI

CASINO LICENCE

Application for casino licence

- **2.**—(1) An application for a casino licence shall be submitted using the relevant application form issued by the Authority—
 - (a) in electronic form using the website of the Authority at http://bpnet.cra.gov.sg;
 - (b) if there is a malfunction of the website referred to in sub-paragraph (a), in paper form accompanied by an electronic copy thereof to the office of the Authority; or
 - (c) in such other manner as the Authority may specify in any particular case.
 - (2) Every application under paragraph (1) shall be accompanied by
 - (a) the application fee specified in the Schedule;
 - (b) such documents as the Authority may specify evidencing the applicant's ownership of the designated site;

- (c) the disclosure of corporate or individual information in the form provided by the Authority for the applicant and such associates of the applicant as the Authority may specify; and
- (d) such other documents as the Authority may require to determine the application.
- (3) Any particulars of any information or records required by the Authority under section 47 of the Act or a change of information to be given under section 48 of the Act in relation to an application under this regulation shall, wherever possible, be submitted in the same manner in which the application was submitted.
 - (4) The Authority may refuse to consider any application under this regulation if
 - (a) the application is incomplete;
 - (b) any person refuses to allow the investigation in respect of the application under section 46 of the Act; or
 - (c) the application fee or the estimated costs of investigation required under regulation 4(2) are not paid.

Other matters to be considered in determining applications

- 3. For the purposes of section 45(2)(i) of the Act, the Authority shall, in addition to the matters in section 45(2)(a) to (ha) of the Act, consider, in relation to the applicant and each associate of the applicant, whether each such person
 - (a) has any undesirable or unsatisfactory financial resources; and
 - (b) has a consistent track record of compliance with legal and regulatory requirements applicable to it, whether in relation to casino gaming or otherwise and whether in Singapore or elsewhere.

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Costs of investigation of application

- **4.**—(1) The costs of such investigations and inquiries as may be required under section 46 of the Act shall be borne by the applicant.
- (2) The Authority may, from time to time, give a written notice to the applicant of the estimated costs of investigation and require the applicant to pay such estimated costs to the Authority within such period as may be specified in the notice.
- (3) At the conclusion of the investigation into the application or if the application is withdrawn, the Authority shall certify the actual costs of the investigation, and shall —

- (a) where the actual costs of investigation are lower than the amount paid under paragraph (2), refund the excess without interest to the applicant; or
- (b) where the actual costs of investigation are higher than the amount paid under paragraph (2), by a written notice, require the applicant to reimburse the Authority the excess within such period as may be specified in the notice.

Term of casino licence

- 5. A casino licence shall be valid
 - (a) for 3 years; or
 - (b) if by reason of the amount of casino licence fee paid or for any other reason, the Authority is of the opinion that the term in paragraph (a) is not appropriate, for such shorter term as the Authority may specify in the licence.

Casino licence fee

6.—(1) For the purposes of section 49A of the Act, the casino licence fee shall be the appropriate licence fee specified in the Schedule.

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- (2) The casino licence fee for the entire term of the casino licence granted to a casino operator shall be payable before the date of commencement of the licence.
- (3) If, during the term of a casino licence granted to or renewed for a casino operator (called in this regulation the first casino operator), another casino operator commences operation of another casino, the Authority may refund the first casino operator an amount computed in accordance with the formula:

$$A \times \frac{B}{365}$$
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where A is —

- (a) \$4.4 million if the first casino operator's casino licence is granted or renewed on or after 15 January 2016 but before 1 December 2018; or
- (b) \$4.8 million if the first casino operator's casino licence is granted or renewed on or after 1 December 2018; and