

**IN THE MATTER** of the Gambling Act 2003

**AND** on an application by **DUNEDIN CASINOS MANAGEMENT LIMITED** for approval of a new temporary floor plan for the Dunedin casino

**BEFORE THE GAMBLING COMMISSION**

Members: P Chin (Chief Gambling Commissioner)  
M M Lythe  
P J Stanley  
G L Reeves  
M J Richardson

Date of Applications: 5 May 2009

Date of Decision: 22 May 2009

Date of Notification  
of Decision: 9 June 2009

**DECISION ON AN APPLICATION BY DUNEDIN CASINOS MANAGEMENT LIMITED FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW TEMPORARY FLOOR PLAN FOR THE DUNEDIN CASINO**

**Introduction**

- 1 Dunedin Casinos Management Limited ("DCML") applied to the Commission for approval of a new temporary floor plan, under condition 12 of its operator's licence

**Licence condition**

- 2 The relevant licence condition is as follows:

**DCML Operator's Licence**

- 12 The Licence Holder shall obtain the approval of the Commission for new floor plans prior to relocating or installing tables or machines in positions not specified in approved floor layouts. When applying, the Licence Holder must submit fresh plans showing the floor layout for the Gambling Area and details of the proposed CCTV layout for the consideration of the Commission. Any change must comply with the Surveillance Standard

**Submissions by DCML**

- 3 DCML stated that:
  - (a) between now and the end of June it will remove, in stages, 10 non-"PIDs" compliant gaming machines from the gaming floor, and sought approval of a floor plan reflecting this change;

- (b) it will reintroduce 10 PIDs-compliant machines in the future, but probably only after the completion of construction work which is taking place in and around the casino

4 DCML submitted that:

- (a) the temporary removal of 10 gaming machines may assist in preventing and minimising harm by reducing the size of the gaming machine alleyway in the casino;
- (b) the changes will have a neutral impact on the purpose of the Act;
- (c) once construction work is finished, it will apply for approval of a new permanent floor plan to return the PID's-compliant machines to the gaming floor, possibly in new locations;
- (d) it will liaise with the DIA inspectorate before any machines are removed

#### **The Secretary's submission**

5 The Secretary had no regulatory concerns with DCML's proposal, but he wants sufficient notice before any gaming machines are removed and reintroduced

#### **Analysis**

6 DCML has approval to deploy up to 180 gaming machines at the Dunedin casino. It has applied for approval to temporarily remove 10 of these machines in stages

7 The temporary removal of these machines does not raise any issues of regulatory concern, and the Secretary has no concerns with the proposal, provided he is fully apprised of all machine movements

8 There will be no changes to the number or location of DCML's gaming tables

#### **Decision of the Commission**

9 The Commission decided to approve the new floor plan, called "Temporary Gaming Machine Floor Plan – May 2009", (attached) under condition 12 of DCML's operator's

**GAMBLING  
COMMISSION**

Peter Chin  
Chief Gambling Commissioner

for and on behalf of the  
Gambling Commission

9 June 2009

Temporary Gaming Machine Floor Plan – May 2009

