

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

**AND** on an application by **SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED** for approval of a floor plan and a game mix

**BEFORE THE GAMBLING COMMISSION**

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

Date of Application: 21 December 2006

Date of Decision: 16 February 2007

Date of Notification  
of Decision: *26* February 2007

**DECISION**

**ON AN APPLICATION SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED  
FOR APPROVAL OF A FLOOR PLAN AND A GAME MIX**

**Application**

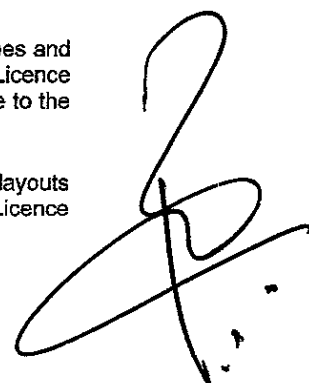
- 1 SKYCITY Casino Management Limited ("SCML") applied to the Gambling Commission (the "Commission") for approval of:
  - (a) changes to temporary floor plan "K(Temp)", under condition 11 of its operator's licence; and
  - (b) Annex A, incorporating a new game mix, game mix G, under condition 9 of its operator's licence

**Licence conditions**

- 2 The relevant licence conditions are as follows:

**SCML operator's licence**

- 9 The Licence Holder may operate on casino gaming tables the game types and game mix(es) specified in Annex A attached to this Licence. The Licence Holder shall obtain the prior approval of the Commission for any change to the game types and/or game mixes specified
- 11 The Licence Holder shall operate in accordance with approved floor layouts showing the position of gaming tables and gaming machines. 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 SCML**

#### *Temporary floor plan - Plan "K(Temp)"*

3. SCML obtained approval for the present plan "K(Temp)" in decision GC41/06. Due to insufficient space on level 3, SCML was unable to install a bank of 18 gaming machines in the position reflected on that plan. SCML wishes to relocate these 18 gaming machines to other parts of Level 3. SCML also wishes to alter the positions of a number of its electronic and manual Roulette games on Levels 2 and 3.

#### *New game mix -- Game Mix G*

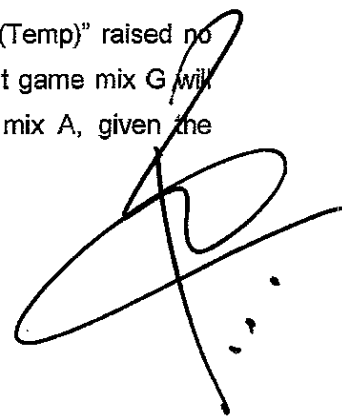
4. Annex A, attached to SCML's operator's licence, presently provides for seven alternative table game mixes. SCML sought the Commission's approval for an additional game mix, game mix G. Compared to game mix A, which is the table game mix representing the greatest level of opportunity for casino gambling at the Auckland casino, game mix G has three less Black Jack, two less Roulette, one less Touchbet Roulette and three less Caribbean Stud Poker and two more Rapid Roulette, one more Midi Baccarat, and six more Poker tables.
5. SCML submitted that game mix G has 11 fewer player spaces than game mix A, and would produce 123 fewer rounds of play per hour compared with game mix A. SCML based these submissions on data from a study conducted at the Christchurch casino in 1999/2000. The study involved a review of the average number of games conducted per hour for each of the table games played at the casino. From this data, SCML was able to compare the maximum number of rounds per hour which might be conducted for game mix A with game mix G.

### **Submissions by the Secretary**

6. The Secretary submitted that he had no objections to the proposed changes to temporary floor plan "K(Temp)" or to approval of game mix G.

### **Analysis**

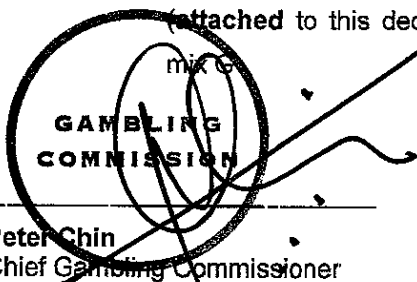
7. The Commission was satisfied that proposed amendments to plan "K(Temp)" raised no issues of regulatory concern. The Commission was also satisfied that game mix G will not increase opportunities for casino gambling compared to game mix A, given the reduction in player spaces and overall rates of play.



- 8 The Commission noted that SCML will work with the local Inspectorate in relation to any necessary CCTV adjustments to ensure that the Surveillance Standard is met

**Decision**

- 9 The Commission decided unanimously to:
- (a) approve, under condition 11 of SCML's operator's licence, the temporary plan "K(Temp)" **attached** to this decision. This replaces the temporary plan "K(Temp)" that the Commission approved in decision GC41/06, which is now revoked. SCML is to notify the DIA Inspectorate and the Commission when it becomes reliant on the new "K(Temp)";
  - (b) approve, under condition 9 of SCML's operator's licence, the new annex A **(attached to this decision)**, which incorporates the additional game mix, game

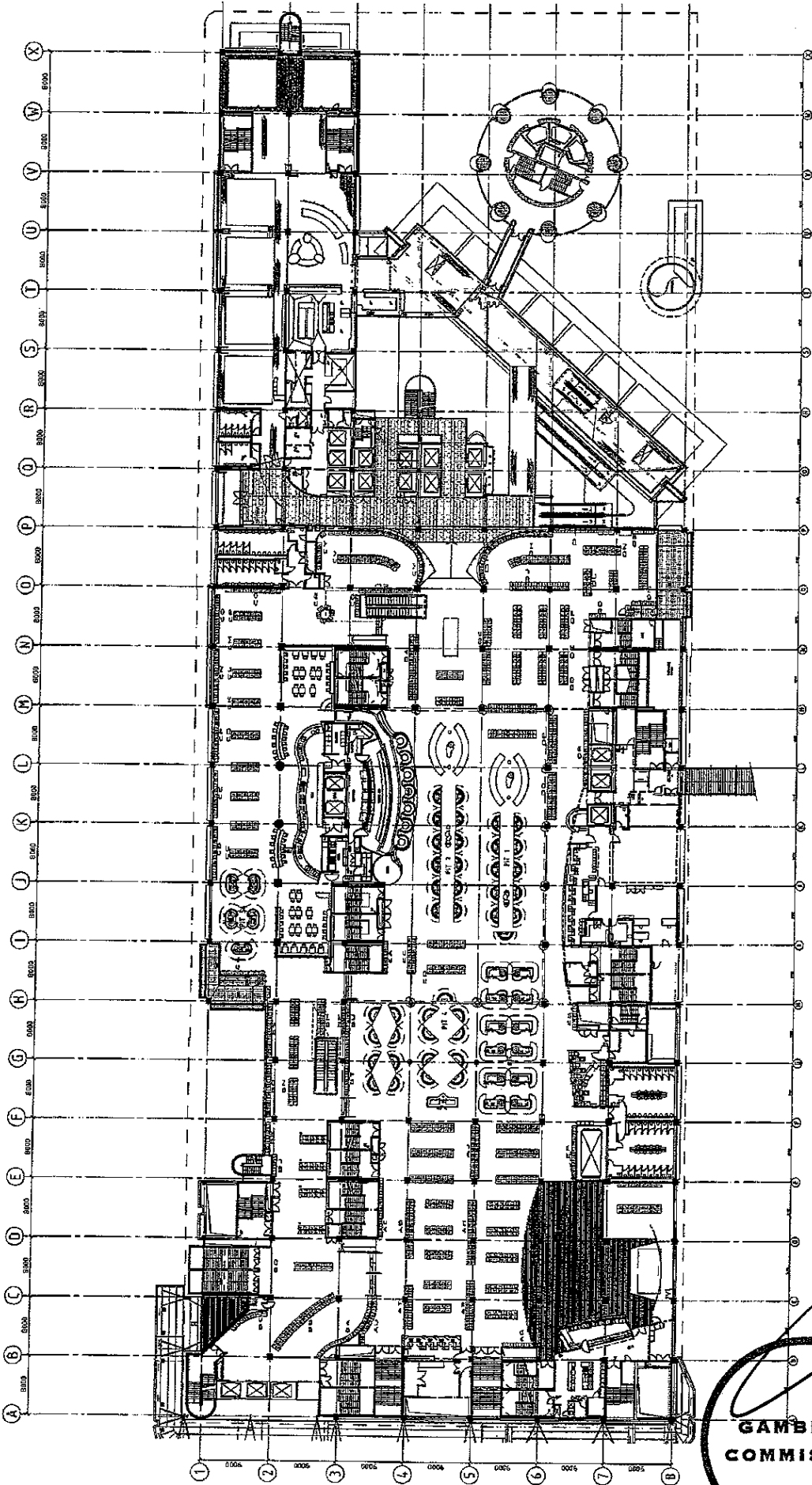
  
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Peter Chin  
Chief Gambling Commissioner

for and on behalf of the  
Gambling Commission

 February 2007

K(temp)



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**Level 2 Gaming Layout**  
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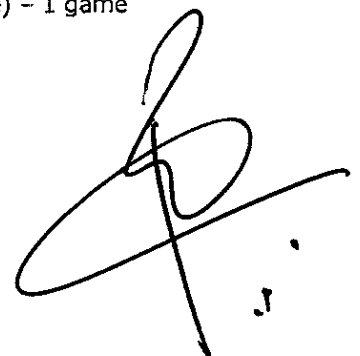
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## ANNEX A

Pursuant to condition 9 the following game mixes may be operated by the Licence Holder on casino gaming tables subject to the following conditions and requirements:

- A
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 44 games
  - Roulette – up to 24 games
  - Touchbet Roulette – 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 10 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 17 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 7 games
  - Pai Gow -- up to 4 games
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
- B
- Blackjack/Pontoon -- up to 42 games
  - Roulette – up to 22 games
  - Touchbet Roulette - 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 1 game with up to 20 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 8 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 18 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 7 games
  - Pai Gow – up to 4 games
  - Poker – up to 4 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
- C
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 41 games
  - Roulette – up to 22 games
  - Touchbet Roulette -- 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 1 game with up to 20 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 7 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 18 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 7 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow -- up to 4 games
  - Poker – up to 6 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) -- 1 game
- D(i)
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 38 games
  - Roulette – up to 22 games
  - Touchbet Roulette – 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 1 game with up to 20 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker -- up to 8 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 19 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 9 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow – up to 3 games
  - Poker -- up to 6 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game
- D(ii)
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 39 games
  - Roulette – up to 22 games
  - Touchbet Roulette – 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 1 game with up to 20 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 8 games
  - Midi Baccarat – up to 19 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 9 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow – up to 2 games
  - Poker -- up to 6 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game



- E
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 36 games
  - Roulette – up to 21 games
  - Touchbet Roulette – 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 1 game with up to 20 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 7 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 19 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 9 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow – up to 3 games
  - Poker – up to 10 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game
- F
- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 39 games
  - Roulette – up to 23 games
  - Touchbet Roulette – 1 game with up to 14 player spaces
  - Rapid Roulette – 2 games with up to 21 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 9 games
  - Midi Baccarat- up to 18 games
  - Mini Baccarat – up to 7 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow – up to 2 games
  - Poker – up to 6 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game
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- Blackjack/Pontoon – up to 41 games
  - Roulette – up to 22 games
  - Rapid Roulette – up to 2 games with up to 21 player spaces
  - Caribbean Stud Poker – up to 7 games
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  - Mini Baccarat – up to 7 games
  - Money Wheel (Double Side) – 1 game
  - Pai Gow – up to 4 games
  - Poker – up to 6 games with up to 10 player spaces
  - Tai Sai (Single Side) – 1 game
  - Tai Sai (Double Side) – 1 game

#### Notes

- 1 The Licence Holder is permitted to change between the game mixes specified in A, B, C, D, E, F and G subject to providing the Commission and the Inspectorate with a minimum of 5 working days notice in writing of its intention to do so
- 2 The Licence Holder is permitted to change between the game mixes specified in D(i) and D(ii) subject to the requirements specified by way of minimum operating standards
- 3 The Licence Holder is permitted to operate automatic shufflers on:
  - the Poker tables specified in Game Mixes B, C, D, E, F and G; and
  - 50 percent of open Blackjack tables specified in Game Mixes A, B, C, D, E, F and G.

