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MEMORANDUM

February 15, 2017

**TO : LICENSED POGO OPERATORS
ALL APPLICANTS FOR POGO LICENSES**

FROM : THE POGO AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT : AMENDMENT TO THE POGO RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please note of the following amendments of the POGO rules and regulations:

A.

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<p>Section 7.Coverage. - Any of the following game offerings are covered by the Offshore Gaming License:</p> <p>a.) e-Casino (RNG-based or "live" dealer games) – includes table games, slots, other card, wheel and dice games, skill games, arcade-type games;</p> <p>b.) Sports betting;</p>
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<p>Section 7.Coverage. – The Offshore Gaming License may cover any of the following game offerings or both;</p> <p>a.) e-Casino (RNG-based or "live" dealer games) – includes table games, slots, other card, wheel and dice games, skill games, arcade-type games;</p> <p>b.) Sports betting;</p>

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<p>Section 8.Requirements. – The applicant for Offshore Gaming License must meet the following requirements;</p> <p>a.) Duly constituted business enterprise organized in the Philippines or any foreign country; If organized in any country other than the Philippines, must have a POGO Gaming Agent;</p> <p>b.) Compliance with the regulator's licensing process and requirements which includes the following elements:</p> <p>b.1.) Probity check to be conducted by a third party checker on applicant's identity or each of key officials of the corporate applicant; finances, integrity, competence and criminality.</p> <p>b.2.) Review of applicant's business plan;</p> <p>b.3.) Review of applicant's statutory and operational documentations;</p> <p>b.4.) Review of applicant's gaming system which shall be aptly certified by a PAGCOR accredited gaming laboratory;</p>

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 - b.1.) Probity check to be conducted by a third party checker on applicant's identity or each of key officials of the corporate applicant; finances, integrity, competence and criminality.
 - b.2.) **Review of applicant's business plan which must fully disclose the number of table games and/or RNG based games it intends to operate if applying for an e-casino and the nature of the games if applying for sportsbetting;**
 - b.3.) Review of applicant's statutory and operational documentations;
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Section 26. Qualifications of Licensee - The Board shall not grant a license unless it is satisfied that the applicant meets the following eligibilities, as applicable:

- (a) Of good repute, considering character, honesty, and integrity;
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- (c) Sufficient experience and ability to establish and manage offshore gaming operations **and for e-Casino applicants, must at least have a minimum of fifteen (15) tables or thirty (30) RNG based games;**

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Section 27. Standard Terms and Conditions. -The licensee shall faithfully abide by the following terms and conditions:

- a) Licensees shall be required to post a performance bond in x xx;
- b) x xx;
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- j) If licensed offshore gaming operator is found to be violating any provision of the Anti-Money Laundering Law x xx;
- k) Licensees who applied solely for an e-casino license, will only be allowed to apply for a license on sportsbetting after a period of six (6) months and vice versa;**

E.

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Section 28. Suspension and Cancellation of License.- during the pendency of its investigation, the Board may suspend a license upon receipt of a complaint or of an information from the monitoring task force based on the following grounds:

- (a) licensee is not, or is no longer, x xx a suitable person to hold the license;
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- (d) licensee violates x xx;
- (e) licensee ceases operations x xx;
- (f) licensee fails to discharge x xx;
- (g) licensee is bankrupt x xx;

- (h) licensee obtained the license by a materially false x xx;
- (i) licensee failed to prevent Filipino citizens, minors x xx;
- (j) licensee failed to operate within the period of one month from the issuance of its license;
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- (i) licensee failed to prevent Filipino citizens, minors x xx;
- (j) licensee failed to operate within the period of one month from *(the issuance of its license)* **the approval of the board of its license application or fails to pay the monthly minimum guaranteed fee for 15 tables or 30 RNG based games or the minimum monthly fee if the license is for sportsbetting;**
- (j) license is required to be suspended x xx;

For your reference and compliance.


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