

Special Meeting Audit Committee of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation

Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the

Connecticut Lottery Corporation

15 Sterling Drive

Wallingford, CT 06492

Committee Members: Andrew Meehan, Chair of the Audit Committee; Matthew Daskal; Ajay

Gupta; and Jerald Lentini (all via teleconference).

Staff Members: Frank Suarez, President and CEO; Melissa Durso; Lauren Perrotti;

Jeevan Vittal; and Annmarie Daigle.

I. Call to Order:

Mr. Meehan welcomed the Committee and called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

II. Approval of January 28, 2025 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes:

On a motion by Mr. Gupta and seconded by Mr. Daskal, the minutes of the January 28, 2025 Audit Committee Meeting were approved with Mr. Lentini abstaining.

III. Quarterly Update on Liquidated Damages:

Mr. Suarez provided the Quarterly Update on Liquidated Damages noting that anytime there is an issue with the gaming system we look to the contract for liquidated damages. They are not punitive in nature but meant to recoup associated costs. He noted that the incident rate has gone down since the gaming system went live.

IV. Notice of Purchasing Justification:

Ms. Durso presented two justifications to the CLC Purchasing Policy that were executed recently and done so in the best interest of the lottery.

CLC used a sole-source justification to request an exemption from the Purchasing Policy in order to procure 400 updated PlayStation units needed for Walmart's rollout and for replacement at existing retailers. Walmart's requirements, coupled with CLC's need for a larger, more functional unit, left only one acceptable product on the market, the Go Plastics PlayStation. Go Plastics has the only model that can display all required point-of-sale materials and store all consumer supplies. After confirming that alternative vendors and BrightStar could not provide

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a compliant or cost-effective option, CLC determined that Go Plastics was the sole acceptable source and recommended proceeding with a direct purchase.

CLC relied on a sole-source justification to request an exemption from its Purchasing Policy in order to engage Purcell Consulting Group for a comprehensive review of the Corporation's sales operations. The exemption was necessary because the scope of work requires highly specialized lottery-specific expertise, particularly in sales force structure, retailer engagement, workflow efficiency, and operational performance that is not available through general consulting firms. Purcell is one of the few consulting groups with proven, industry-wide experience in evaluating lottery sales organizations, making competitive solicitation impractical. Their engagement will provide CLC with an independent assessment and recommendations to strengthen sales execution and support revenue growth.

V. Executive Session:

At 10:13 a.m., on a motion by Mr. Lentini and seconded by Mr. Daskal, the Committee moved to Executive Session to discuss:

a. Quarterly Update on Liquidated Damages

All CLC Staff present attended the Executive Session.

VI. <u>Discussion and Action, if any, on Items Discussed during Executive Session</u>:

At 10:30 a.m., the Committee reconvened in public session, with Mr. Meehan stating that no votes or actions took place during Executive Session.

VII. <u>Adjournment</u>:

Mr. Meehan thanked the Committee members for their attendance and noted that the 2026 regular meetings of the Audit Committee would be held on the third Tuesdays of the months beginning the quarter: January 20, April 21, July 21, and October 20, 2026 and that a schedule would be filed with the Secretary of State and distributed to the Committee.

On a motion by Mr. Daskal, seconded by Mr. Gupta and unanimously approved, the Committee adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Melissa Durso Corporate Secretary Connecticut Lottery Corporation