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GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE 308 OF 2006**DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY****NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE NATIONAL
GAMBLING REGULATIONS ON LIMITED PAYOUT MACHINES,
(REGULATION GAZETTE 21945, 21 DECEMBER 2000)**

Notice is hereby given that the Minister of Trade and Industry intends, in terms of Section 87(2) of the National Gambling Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004) read with Item 2 of the Schedule to the Act, to amend Regulation 24 of the National Gambling Regulations, 2000, as follows:

GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

[] Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.

_____ Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.

Proposed amendment to Regulation 24:

1. The following Regulation is hereby substituted for Regulation 24:

“Public hearings

24.(1) Before deciding whether [or not] to grant –

(a) a route operator licence, or

(b) a site operator licence in relation to a site contemplated in regulation 3(2)

a provincial licensing authority must hold a public hearing.

(2) If, after compliance with the provisions of regulations 20 and 21, and such other procedural requirements as may be contained in provincial legislation for the advertisement and making available of applications to the public, a provincial licensing authority receives, within the time specified by law for such purpose, a written objection from any member of the public to an application for a site operator licence other than a licence contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(b), relating to –

(a) the probity or suitability for licensing of any of the persons involved in the operation of the business to which the licence applied for relates; or

(b) the suitability of the site to which the application relates for the conduct of gambling activities,

the provincial licensing authority shall schedule a public hearing for the purpose of adjudicating the application with regard to such objection.

(3) A provincial licensing authority must advertise the place, date and times of a public hearing in the provincial gazette and a newspaper circulating in the area in which the licensed operations are proposed to be conducted.”

All interested parties wishing to make any representations in connection with the proposed amendments may, prior to 17 March 2006, direct enquiries to:

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