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STATE OF MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD
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RICHARD S. KALM
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In the matter of:

HAZEL PARK RACING ASSOCIATION, INC.,
D/B/A HAZEL PARK HARNESS RACEWAY

ORDER CLOSING THE 2015 LIVE RACE MEET

This Order is being issued in response to Hazel Park Harness Raceway's request, dated July 10, 2015, to end its live race meet at the conclusion of the last race scheduled on race day Saturday, August 8, 2015, due to insufficient purse funds.

Hazel Park Racing Association, Inc., d/b/a Hazel Park Harness Raceway, was granted a 2015 Race Meeting License and a 2015 Simulcast Permit by Order of the Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board on October 31, 2014, and was issued a Supplemental Order on January 27, 2015. The Orders were issued under the authority of the Horse Racing Law of 1995, Public Act 270 of 1995; MCL 431.301 *et seq.*, as amended (the Act), the administrative rules promulgated thereto, and Executive Order No. 2009-45.

The Race Meeting License and Supplemental Order allocated 40 Thoroughbred and Mixed Breed horse race dates to Hazel Park Harness Raceway beginning Friday, May 1, 2015, through Saturday, September 12, 2015; racing two days per week, Fridays and Saturdays. The 40 granted race days were allocated pursuant to the race days requested in Hazel Park Harness Raceway's 2015 Race Meeting License application. The Race Meeting License and the race days allocated therein are subject to compliance with the Act, administrative rules promulgated thereto, and the terms and conditions set forth in the Orders.

As of Friday, July 10, 2015, the balance in the simulcast purse pool for thoroughbred and mixed breed horse races was \$59,387.54. Hazel Park Harness Raceway has represented there will be insufficient purse dollars available to fund allocated race days past August 8, 2015. Further, a projected future accounting of purse dollars provided by the Michigan Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, confirms Hazel Park Harness Raceway's representation.

The Executive Director has reviewed the information submitted from Hazel Park Harness Raceway and the Michigan Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association and has determined that there are insufficient funds available to support prize payments for live horse racing past Saturday, August 8, 2015.

The Executive Director has opened an investigation as to the reasons for the insufficient purse pool funds. This Order in no way inhibits or limits the ability of the Executive Director to conduct the investigation, take any appropriate action, or issue sanctions pursuant to the findings of the investigation.

THEREFORE:

IT IS ORDERED that the 2015 Thoroughbred and Mixed Breed horse race meet conducted by Hazel Park Harness Raceway shall end at the conclusion of the last race scheduled on race day Saturday, August 8, 2015, for the reason of insufficient purse pool funds.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/

Richard Kalm, Executive Director
Michigan Gaming Control Board

Date: July 22, 2015