

#### Monthly Report No. 2-2018

**MGM National Harbor Gaming Taxes** Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) and Table Game (TG) Local Taxes Distributed to Prince George's County from the State of Maryland FY 2018 (July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018)

#### September 18, 2017

#### Purpose

Section 9-1A-27 and Section 9-1A-31 of the State Government Article govern the imposition and distribution of video lottery terminal (VLT) taxes and table game (TG) taxes in Maryland. This report series is designed to show the actual VLT taxes and Table Game taxes paid by the State of Maryland to Prince George's County on a monthly basis in FY 2018 (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018).

#### Summary

For August 2017 MGM National Harbor operations, Prince George's County received approximately \$2.3 million in payments from the State for Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) (e.g. "local impact grants")<sup>1</sup> and Table Game (TG) local taxes. The State's VLT and TG local tax payments have been as follows on a monthly basis:

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		VLT Taxes	Table Game	
Month	Notes	Paid (2) (3)	Taxes Paid	Total
Jul-17	1	\$1,100,906	\$1,167,535	\$2,268,441
Aug-17	1	\$1,040,964	\$1,278,614	\$2,319,577
Total		\$2,141,870	\$2,446,149	\$4,588,019

# VLT and Table Game Local Taxes - Amounts Paid by the State

Note:

(1) The State did not withhold any payments related to the VLT

"hold-harmless" provision for the month. The State did not withhold any VLT taxes under the small counties distribution formula.

(2) VLT Taxes = "local impact grants"

(3) Local impact grants "...shall be used for improvements primarily in the communities in immediate proximity to the video lottery facilities..." Section 9-1A-31(b)(1) of the State Government Article

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 9-1A-27(a)(3) of the State Government Article requires that 5.5% of the proceeds from video lottery terminals be distributed to the jurisdiction where the video lottery facility is located, subject to specified deductions. It also defines these allocations as "local impact grants".



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#### Table Game (TG) Taxes

For August 2017 MGM National Harbor operations, Prince George's County received approximately \$1.3 million in payments from the State for Table Game local taxes (5.0%). The State's TG local tax payments have been as follows for the past month and Fiscal Year to Date ("FYTD"):

# Table Game (TG) Local Taxes - Amounts Paid by the State Prince George's County FY 2018

	Aug-17	FYTD
Gross Table Game Revenues - MGM National Harbor TG Local Tax Rate (5.0%)	\$25,572,273 5.0%	\$48,922,977 5.0%
Table Game Local Tax Allocation Paid by the State	\$1,278,614	\$2,446,149
Note:		

"FYTD" - Fiscal Year to Date

<u>There are no proximity requirements in either Section 9-1A-27 or Section 9-1A-31 of the State</u> <u>Government Article for the use of table game local taxes.</u>



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# Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) Taxes (e.g. "local impact grants")

For August 2017 MGM National Harbor operations, Prince George's County received approximately \$1.0 million in payments from the State of Maryland, after deductions required by State Law<sup>2</sup>, for Video Lottery Terminal local taxes (5.5%). The State did not withhold any payments related to the VLT "hold-harmless" provision, and the small counties distribution formula for August 2017 operations.<sup>3</sup>

The breakdown of the VLT local tax distribution formula for the past month and Fiscal Year to Date ("FYTD") is shown below:

# VLT Local Taxes - Amounts Paid by the State Prince George's County FY 2018

	Aug-17	FYTD
Gross VLT Revenues - Big 3 Facilities	\$69,243,696	\$142,474,709
VLT Local Tax Rate (5.5%)	5.5%	5.5%
/LT Local Taxes - Big 3 Facilities	\$3,808,403	\$7,836,109
Less: State Law Deductions	(\$685,513)	(\$1,410,500)
Net VLT Local Taxes - Big 3 Facilities	\$3,122,891	\$6,425,609
Divide Evenly - State Law	\$1,040,964	\$2,141,870
ess: "Hold-Harmless" - State Law	\$0	\$0
/LT Local Tax Allocation Paid by the State	\$1,040,964	\$2,141,870

Notes:

(1) Big 3 Facilities - Maryland Live, Horseshoe, MGM National Harbor

(2) State Law deductions:

- A. Allegany County (\$200,000) annually
- B. Cecil County (\$130,000) annually
- C. Town of Perryville (\$70,000) annually
- D. Worcester County (\$200,000) annually
- E. 18% to Baltimore City (after deductions above) monthly
- (3) Divide Evenly State Law requires Net VLT Local Taxes for Big 3 Facilities to be divided equally
- (4) "Hold-Harmless" Anne Arundel County and Baltimore City cannot receive less VLT Local Taxes in a fiscal year than FY 2016. The State has not withheld any VLT taxes under this provision in FY 2018 yet.
- (5) "FYTD" Fiscal Year to Date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 9-1A-31(a)(1) through Section 9-1A-31(a)(8) of the State Government Article describes the distribution process, including various deductions, for video lottery terminal taxes to the local jurisdictions with a video lottery facility.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Hold-harmless" Provision - Section 9-1A-31(a)(7) states that the amount distributed annually to Anne Arundel County and Baltimore City from VLT Taxes may not be less than the amount received in the fiscal year before the video lottery operation license was issued for the facility in Prince George's County (e.g. Fiscal Year 2016).