

MISSOURI GAMING COMMISSION
COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 20-025
REGARDING WAIVER OF LICENSURE
FOR INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR

August 26, 2020

WHEREAS, BlackRock, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, “BlackRock”), have requested a waiver of licensure under 11 CSR 45-4.020 as an institutional investor; and

WHEREAS, BlackRock has stated that it may acquire interests in multiple Missouri licensees of more than ten percent (10%) but not more than twenty percent (20%); and

WHEREAS, BlackRock has affirmed that it may acquire these interests for investment purposes only and not for the purposes of causing, directly or indirectly, changes in the management, policies, or operations of said licensees, and that BlackRock has no involvement in the business activities of any licensee in which it holds or may acquire interest or any intention of influencing or affecting the affairs of any licensee with the stock that it now owns or may in the future acquire; and

WHEREAS, BlackRock has affirmed that in the event BlackRock subsequently develops an intention of controlling or participating in the management of any licensee, BlackRock will notify the Commission of said changes and refrain from participating in management or exercising such control until approved by the Missouri Gaming Commission; and

WHEREAS, BlackRock has complied and affirmed its willingness to conform to all disclosures and notices required by 11 CSR 45-4.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Missouri Gaming Commission grants BlackRock’s request to waive licensure requirements required under 11 CSR 45-4.020 for up to and including twenty percent (20%) ownership in multiple licensees.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the granting of this waiver in no way prevents the Missouri Gaming Commission at some future date, with or without cause, from requiring BlackRock to apply for and obtain licensure pursuant to 11 CSR 45-4. In such an event, failure to obtain licensure could result in BlackRock being required to divest all or part of their interest in a licensee or the loss of the licensee’s ability to do business in Missouri.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this waiver is for a period of two (2) years from the date of this Resolution, and it will be necessary for BlackRock, Inc., and its direct and indirect investment management and broker-dealer subsidiaries to reapply for a waiver on or before sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of this waiver.