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TO: Manufacturers, Distributors, and Testing Laboratories

RE: Electronic Instant Bingo "AutoPlay" Not Permitted Under Ohio Technical Standards

This letter serves as a reminder of the Attorney General's position that "autoplay" features are prohibited on electronic instant bingo games. Under Ohio's Electronic Instant Bingo Technical Standard 3.3.3(d), "Each electronic instant bingo ticket must require the participant to press a 'play', 'purchase', 'open' or equivalent button to initiate the play of a ticket."

The Attorney General's position is that this technical standard prohibits games that enable a player to press one button to play multiple tickets (i.e., "autoplay"). This prohibition extends to games that allow players to enable or initiate "autoplay." Manufacturers with this feature installed on games in the Ohio market must contact us immediately to discuss timelines to first disable autoplay in the field and then to modify software to fully remove the feature. As a reminder, independent testing laboratory certification reports must be submitted to EBingoAdmin@OhioAGO.gov prior to the release of the software.

Please contact the Charitable Law Section with any questions or concerns. As a general matter, testing laboratories are encouraged to contact the Charitable Law Section during their technical evaluations of manufacturers' products when they need clarification or have additional questions.

The Attorney General reserves all rights to suspend, place limits, restrictions, or probationary conditions on, or revoke a manufacturer or distributor license or an electronic instant bingo endorsement when appropriate under R.C. Chapter 2915.

Very respectfully yours,

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