

**SECTION A: LICENSEE
MIDWEST GAMING & ENTERTAINMENT, LLC**

**Request No. 2
Responses to Section 5.1(a) 1-12 of Riverboat
Gambling Act**

1. The name, business address and business telephone number of any applicant or licensee.

Midwest Gaming & Entertainment, LLC
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2. An identification of any applicant or licensee including, if an applicant or licensee is not an individual, the state of incorporation or registration, the corporate officers, and the identity of all shareholders or participants. If an applicant or licensee has a pending registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, only the names of those persons or entities holding interest of 5% or more must be provided.

- Type of entity (e.g. LLC, LP, corporation):

LLC

- State of formation or incorporation:

Delaware

- Primary corporate officers (e.g. chairman, CEO, manager):

Neil G. Bluhm (Chairman); Gregory A. Carlin (Chief Executive Officer)

- Shareholders or other owners of that entity (direct only, not beneficial or indirect):

Midwest Gaming & Entertainment, LLC is owned by Midwest Gaming Borrower, LLC.

3. An identification of any business, including, if applicable, the state of incorporation or registration, in which an applicant or licensee or an applicant's or licensee's spouse or children has an equity interest of more than 5%. If an applicant or licensee is a corporation, partnership or other business entity, the applicant or licensee shall identify any other corporation, partnership or business entity in which it has an equity interest of 5% or more, including, if applicable, the state of incorporation or registration. This information need not be provided by a corporation, partnership or other business entity that has a pending registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

None.

4. Whether an applicant or licensee has been indicted, convicted, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere, or forfeited bail concerning any criminal offense under the laws of any jurisdiction, either felony or misdemeanor (except for traffic violations), including the date, the name and location of the court, arresting agency and prosecuting agency, the case number, the offense, the disposition and the location and length of incarceration.

None.

5. Whether an applicant or licensee has had any license or certificate issued by a licensing authority in Illinois or any other jurisdiction denied, restricted, suspended, revoked or not renewed and a statement describing the facts and circumstances concerning the denial, restriction, suspension, revocation or non-renewal, including the licensing authority, the date each such action was taken, and the reason for each such action.

None.

6. Whether an applicant or licensee has ever filed or had filed against it a proceeding in bankruptcy or has ever been involved in any formal process to adjust, defer, suspend or otherwise work out the payment of any debt including the date of filing, the name and location of the court, the case and number of the disposition.

None.

7. Whether an applicant or licensee has filed, or been served with a complaint or other notice filed with any public body, regarding the delinquency in the payment of, or a dispute over the filings concerning the payment of, any tax required under federal, State or local law, including the amount, the type of tax, the taxing agency and time periods involved.

On November 9, 2012, the Cook County Board of Commissioners adopted a “Gambling Machine Tax Ordinance” that imposes an annual tax of \$1,000 per casino gambling machine located in Cook County, Illinois (the County) beginning August 1, 2013. Midwest Gaming challenged this tax as a violation of various provisions of the Illinois state constitution. On August 27, 2014, the Circuit Court of Cook County granted summary judgment in favor of the Midwest Gaming invalidating the tax. On August 21, 2015, however, the Illinois Appellate Court reversed the Circuit Court's decision and entered judgment in favor of Cook County upholding the tax. Midwest Gaming sought leave to appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court, but the Supreme Court declined to review the decision of the Illinois Appellate Court. Accordingly, the County's tax became effective (including past amounts due) on February 3, 2016. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Midwest Gaming's liability was \$2.5 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, related to these taxes which is included in accrued expenses - other in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Subsequently, Midwest Gaming paid approximately \$3.1 million for taxes due as of December 31, 2015 and amounts owed for a portion of 2016. The County's tax will impose an additional annual obligation of approximately \$1 million each year.

8. A statement listing the names and titles of all public official or officers of any unit of government, and relatives of said public officials or officers who, directly or indirectly, own any financial interest in, have any beneficial interest in, are the creditors of or hold any debt instrument issued by, or hold or have any interest in any contractual or service relationship with, an applicant or licensee.

None.

9. Whether an applicant or licensee has made, directly or indirectly, any political contribution, or any loans, donations or other payments, to any candidate or office holder, within 5 years from the date of filing the application, including the amount and the method of payment.

The following political contributions were made during the prior 5 years to Illinois candidates and office holders:

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Aggregate Contribution Amount</u>
Bradley A. Stephens Committeeman Fund	\$500
Citizens for Laura M Murphy	\$2,500
Citizens for Michael P McAuliffe	\$4,000
Friends for Mulroe	\$6,035 (\$3,535.20 in-kind)
Friends of Marty Moylan	\$5,000
Friends of Michael Alvarez	\$10,600
Friends of Robert "Bob" Rita	\$5,000
Liz for the 17th	\$9,000
Marty Moylan for State Representative	\$5,000

10. The name and business telephone number of the counsel representing an applicant or licensee in matters before the Board.

Devin Maddox, Senior Counsel, Rivers Casino, (847) 768-5263

11. A description of any proposed or approved riverboat gaming operation, including the type of boat, home dock location, expected economic benefit to the community, anticipated or actual number of employees, any statement from an applicant or licensee regarding compliance with federal and State affirmative action guidelines, projected or actual admissions and projected or actual adjusted gross gaming receipts.

There are no proposed riverboat gaming operations pending review at this time and no approval of any riverboat gaming operation for the relevant time period.

In 2015, Midwest Gaming generated approximately \$425,013,000 in Adjusted Gross Receipts and had over 3,375,000 admissions. Further, the City of Des Plaines collected almost \$25,000,000 in gaming taxes (\$24.7M), of which it shared almost \$6,000,000 with economically disadvantaged communities and returned \$10,000,000 to the State of Illinois.

As of December 31, 2015, Midwest Gaming had a total active headcount of approximately 1,444 team members. Midwest Gaming has committed to equal opportunity employment and diversity with respect to its employees, vendors, suppliers and independent contractors. Midwest Gaming

has committed to recruiting, training, and advancing people of any race, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, sexual identity and expression, marital status, family status, lifestyle, age, culture, religion, military and veteran status, citizenship, disability, or other protected status.

12. A description of the product or service to be supplied by an applicant for a supplier's license.

Not applicable.