



CITY OF BOSTON • MASSACHUSETTS  
**OFFICE OF GAMING ACCOUNTABILITY**  
City Hall, Room 620 Boston, MA 02201

March 19, 2014

*Via Electronic Delivery*

Chairman Stephen Crosby  
Massachusetts Gaming Commissioners  
Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
84 State Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, MA 02109

RE: *City of Boston's Request for Deferral of any Surrounding Community Designation in Region A with Respect to the City of Boston*

Dear Chairman Crosby and Massachusetts Gaming Commissioners:

The City of Boston (the "City") understands that the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (the "Commission") has scheduled a public meeting for March 20, 2014. According to its website, the Commission intend to make designations as to Surrounding Communities and Impacted Live Entertainment Venues ("ILEV") in Region A, which Region includes the City of Boston.

The Commission has indicated that it intends to designate the City as a surrounding community for each of the Category 1 License Applications within Region A. The City requests that the Commission defer any designation with respect to the City as a Surrounding Community for no less than thirty (30) days, or until April 21, 2014 so that the City will be able to determine what action, if any, the City is required to take in accordance with the provisions of 205 CMR 125.01, or other relevant provisions of M.G.L. c. 23K and 205 CMR 1.00 et. seq (the "Gaming Act").

The City submits that the Commission's failure to grant such an extension will result in undue hardship on the City. The City asks that the Commission assent to such request for deferral no later than 4:00 p.m. this afternoon. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.



CITY OF BOSTON • MASSACHUSETTS  
**OFFICE OF GAMING ACCOUNTABILITY**  
City Hall, Room 620 Boston, MA 02201

Very truly yours,

Elizabeth Dello Russo  
Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel

Cc: John Ziembra, Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
Catherine Blue, Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
Eugene O'Flaherty, City of Boston Corporation Counsel  
John Stefanini, DLA Piper  
Kevin Conroy, Foley Hoag  
Daniel Gaquin, Mintz Levin  
Steve Tocco, ML