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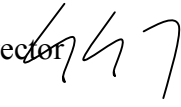
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INDUSTRY LETTER No. 2003-09  
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TO: All Licensees, Enrolled Attorneys and Interested Parties

FROM: Larry Gregory, Executive Director 

RE: Reserving Gaming Machines

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This industry letter replaces and supersedes all prior letters/memos related to this subject matter and specifically replaces an Industry Letter dated September 25, 1997 entitled "Gaming Devices."

This office has received several patron complaints concerning the practice of "reserving" slot machines for certain patrons.

When a limited number of games are linked to a progressive jackpot, and such games are reserved for certain patrons, the opportunity for other patrons to compete for the progressive jackpot is severely diminished, if not eliminated. The Gaming Control Act declares the public policy of the State of Mississippi to be that gaming is conducted "honestly and competitively."

Slot machines linked to a progressive jackpot shall not be reserved under any circumstances. This shall apply both to in-house progressives and wide area progressives.

If you have any questions concerning these requirements, please contact your Mississippi Gaming Commission (MGC) District office.

This letter is available on the MGC website at [www.mgc.state.ms.us](http://www.mgc.state.ms.us) under Forms and Procedures, Other, Industry Letters 2003.