



VIA EMAIL

March 16, 2020

Mr. Peter Kappel  
Chair  
British Columbia Lottery Corporation  
2940 Virtual Way  
Vancouver BC V5M 0A6

Dear Mr. Kappel:

Re: Direction to British Columbia Lottery Corporation

As you know, the minister responsible for BCLC is empowered by Section 7(1)(j) of the *Gaming Control Act* (the "Act") to direct the British Columbia Lottery Corporation to do certain things, and the British Columbia Lottery Corporation is required to carry out those directions. Given the current pandemic with respect to Covid-19 and recent statements of the BC Provincial Health Officer regarding this virus, I am concerned about the health of British Columbians and other people currently in the province. In consultation with and on the advice of the Provincial Health Officer, it is appropriate for all gaming facilities in the province to be closed to the public until further notice. This approach is consistent with the actions that are being taken in a number of other provincial jurisdictions.

Therefore, in accordance with Section 7(1)(j) of the Act, I require and direct that BCLC:

- (i) forthwith undertake all steps it considers necessary and appropriate to implement the closure of these facilities to the public, with such closure to occur by no later than 11:59 p.m. local time, March 16, 2020; and
- (ii) keep my office informed of the steps that have been taken in respect of closure.

Please advise me if you have any questions in relation to this direction.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Eby", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Eby, QC  
Attorney General

pc: The Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health  
The Honourable Carole James, Minister of Finance  
Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer