Provincial Anti-Money Laundering (AML) Strategy

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Provincial AML Strategy -

designed for continuous evolution and tactics to meet changing and emerging risks

Development of cash alternatives:

- Convenience cheques
- Patron Gaming Fund (PGF) Accounts
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFTs)
- Debit withdrawals

Promotion and expansion of cash alternatives:

- De-limiting convenience cheques
- International EFTs

Regulatory guidance

- Minister's letters
- General Manager (GM) letters

Due diligence enhancements

- GPEB Compliance / Enforcement shift to riskbased
- GPEB Intelligence Unit formed
- JIGIT formed

Ongoing sustained effort

- Joint Illegal Gaming Investigation Team (JIGIT)
- Strategies to address emerging and shifting risks.
- Intelligence gathering.

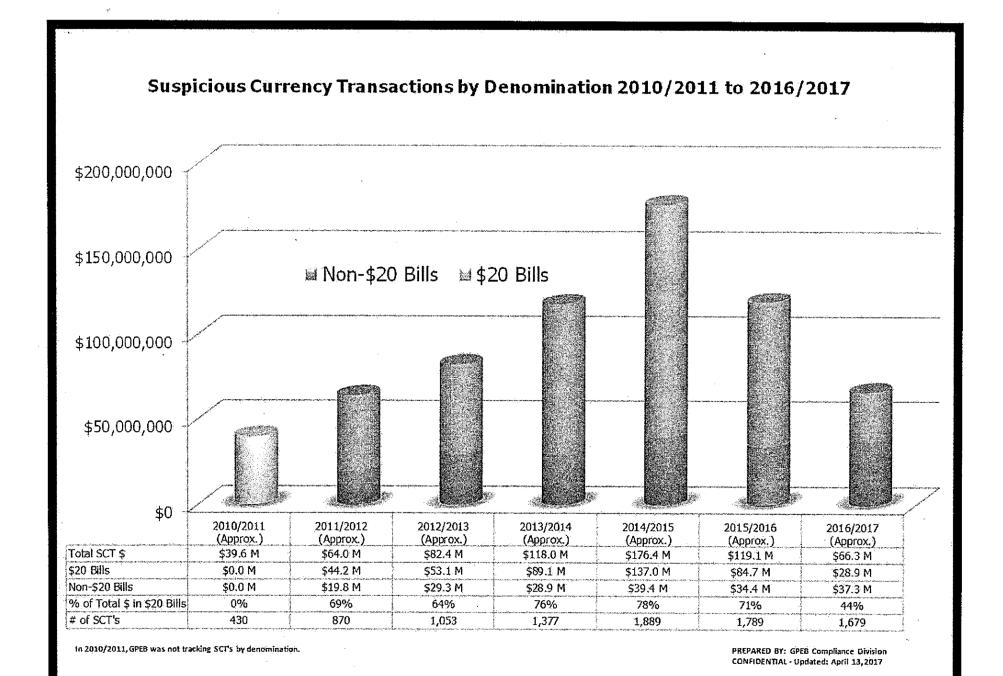
2011

2015

2016

2017 and on

Ongoing Active Monitoring by GPEB



MNP Report

- GPEB engaged MNP to analyze BCLC's Customer Due Diligence (CCD) in industry best practice.
- MNP made 30 recommendations to BCLC and GPEB:
 - 1. Risk Refuse unsourced cash and province define acceptable level of risk
 - 2. Training indicators of suspicious cash
 - 3. Enhanced Due Diligence know your customer
 - **4. Technology and Monitoring** implement business intelligence tool

FINTRAC

- The Financial Transactions and Reports Analysis
 Centre of Canada (FINTRAC) is Canada's financial
 intelligence unit
- Mandate to facilitate the detection, prevention and deterrence of money laundering and terrorist financing activities
- BCLC is the reporting entity for BC casinos

Provincial Direction to BCLC

- Oct 2015
- 2016/17 Mandate Letter
- 2017/18 Mandate Letter

"...evaluating the source of wealth and source of funds prior to cash acceptance..."

Minister of Finance to BCLC Board Chair

- Aug 2015
- Jan 2016
- July 2016
- May 2017

...<u>establish source of funds</u> prior to cash acceptance.

GPEB GM to BCLC CEO

Joint Illegal Gaming Investigation Team

MANDATE - To address organized crime involvement in illegal gambling and prevent criminals from using B.C. gambling facilities to legalize the proceeds of crime.

AREAS OF FOCUS:

- Organized crime involvement in illegal gambling and money laundering in casinos
- Public education

STATUS:

- Arrests announced June 13, 2017
- Investigations into illegal gaming and money laundering in BC casinos ongoing

JIGIT Funding

- The total budget for JIGIT is \$4.3 million per year:
 - \$3.0 million annually provincial share (70%)
 - \$1.3 million annually federal share (30%)
- Five year mandate, provincial funding committed for three years.
- Funding for the final two years of JIGIT's mandate (2019/20 and 2020/21) requires a Treasury Board decision.
- BCLC provided this funding under the direction of its 2016/17 mandate letter. This funding is restricted to use for JIGIT purposes.

GPEB Intelligence Unit

MANDATE - To provide stakeholders, management, executive and government with situational awareness of threats to the integrity of gambling.

Shares intelligence with:

- RCMP
- Vancouver PD
- International law enforcement agencies

Compliance and Enforcement Secretariat – leads to better communication on mutual challenges

Patron Gaming Fund Accounts

Suspicious Currency Transaction (SCT) Comparison to PGF New Money Deposits

For the Period January 1, 2015 - March 31, 2017



BCLC Response

BCLC is generally meeting FINTRAC reporting requirements but GPEB requires more

BCLC also advised of changes made in 2016:

- 1. Increased AML staffing
- 2. Enhanced customer monitoring
- Updated and enhanced Information Sharing Agreements with RCMP
- 4. Increased source of wealth / funds inquiries

Next Steps for AML Strategy

- Ongoing work of JIGIT
- Monitoring of cash alternatives
- Increased training and money laundering analysis capacity of Intelligence Unit
- Transaction Assessment Team early intervention field team
- Trust and verify
 - Implement robust source of funds controls