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Florida Gaming Control Commission Seeking Vendor for Compulsive/Addictive Gambling Prevention Program

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Today, the Florida Gaming Control Commission announced that an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) process has been initiated for services for their Compulsive or Addictive Gambling Prevention Program. An ITN is a competitive solicitation process wherein vendors can offer recommendations to an agency to help determine the best method for achieving goals and facilitating the best value to the state.

The FGCC has swiftly worked through the required steps in Florida's competitive solicitation process to procure a vendor and contract. A Request for Information (RFI) was solicited from the vendor community over the summer, resulting in insight beneficial to the process as well as details significant for the ITN.

"While many Floridians and visitors enjoy legal gaming and sports betting, offering robust resources and valuable services to those who may find themselves impulsively participating in these activities is highly important," said Julie I. Brown, Vice Chair of the Florida Gaming Control Commission. "My fellow commissioners and I look forward to the results of this process and to provide progressive resources and scalable services in Florida that will have a clear impact."

This ITN process will result in a contract which will include an advertising program to encourage responsible gaming practices, as well as help line resources. The terms of the contract will include accountability standards. Vendors interested in more details can find information on the ITN at <u>FLGaming.gov/Announcements</u>.

"As the landscape of legal gaming and sports betting evolves in Florida, as well as illegal gambling facilities and sites, we recognize the need to have adaptable solutions and expansive options as part of our Compulsive or Addictive Gambling Prevention Program," said Lou Trombetta, Executive Director of the Florida Gaming Control Commission. "This process will ensure that Floridians can benefit from innovative and comprehensive options, and that the selected vendor is able to help FGCC provide resources that reach all demographics."

Legal gaming is regulated by Florida law, which provides player protections, combats illegal activity, generates state revenue, and fosters game integrity. If you or someone you know needs help with compulsive or addictive gambling, resources can be found at FLGaming.gov/GamblingResources.

The mission of the Florida Gaming Control Commission is to preserve and protect the integrity of gaming activities in Florida through fair regulation, licensing, effective criminal investigation, and enforcement. Concerns about illegal gambling operations in Florida can be reported online at FLGaming.gov/File-a-Report, by email at ContactUs@FLGaming.gov, or by phone at 850-880-3433.