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DATE: JULY 22, 2020

SUBJECT: CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION (ELECTION

MERGER) - CASH SETTLEMENT/ACCELERATION OF

**EXPIRATIONS/DETERMINATION OF NON-ELECTING MERGER** 

CONSIDERATION

OPTION SYMBOLS: CZR/1CZR NEW SYMBOLS: CZR1/1CZR1

**DATE: 7/21/20** 

\*\*\* DETERMINATION OF DELIVERABLE \*\*\*

On November 15, 2019, Shareholders of Caesars Entertainment Corporation (CZR) approved the proposed merger with Eldorado Resorts, Inc. (ERI). The merger was consummated on July 20, 2020. ERI changed its name to (New) Caesars Entertainment, Inc. and the new combined company was listed on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the ticker symbol "CZR".

The non-electing consideration has been determined to be \$12.410268 Cash per CZR share.

## **The Merger: Aggregate Terms**

The aggregate terms paid CZR shareholders are approximately \$7.2 billion in cash and 77.1 million shares. In the aggregate, the amount of stock considerations will not exceed the product of 0.0899 and the number of outstanding shares of Caesars Common Shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger.

## **CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT**

DATE: July 21, 2020

OPTION SYMBOLS: CZR changes to CZR1

1CZR changes to 1CZR1

STRIKE DIVISOR: 1

CONTRACT MULTIPLIER: 1

NEW MULTIPLIER: 100 (e.g., for premium or strike price extensions, 1.00 equals \$100)

**NEW DELIVERABLE** 

PER CONTRACT: \$1,241.03 Cash (\$12.410268 x 100)

Settlement in CZR1/1CZR1 options, which was subject to delayed settlement on July 21, 2020, will take place through OCC's cash settlement system. Settlement will be accomplished by payment of the difference between the extended strike amount and the cash deliverable.

## **ACCELERATION OF EXPIRATIONS**

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cash-only delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series. (See OCC Information Memo 23707) Additionally, the exercise by exception (ex by ex) threshold for expiring series will be \$.01 in all account types.

All series of Caesars Entertainment Corporation options whose expiration dates are after 8-21-2020 will have their expiration dates advanced to 8-21-2020. Expiration dates occurring before 8-21-2020 (e.g., Flex options) will remain unchanged.

All Caesars Entertainment Corporation options will utilize a \$.01 exercise threshold.

Option Symbols: CZR1/1CZR1 Existing Expiration: All months New expiration date: 8-21-2020

Existing American-style Caesars Entertainment Corporation options remain exercisable at the option of the holder prior to their expiration. Exercised options will continue to settle in two business days.

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