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#1 - New – We recommend the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority establish a written agreement with Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority indicating when it will receive the audit report on controls for the SIGA Casino Management System.	93 & 94	Partially implemented	On July 2, 2019 SLGA and SIGA signed an agreement indicating that SIGA would have a completed controls audit to SLGA no later than 40 days following each fiscal year end.	Transitioning of duties related to the SIGA casino operations from WCLC to SIGA took place and resulted in both WCLC and SIGA to have control of the casino management system during the review period. Confusion on who needed the controls audit lead to delays.	Partially implemented - Anticipating this will be implemented for the 2020/21 fiscal year-end audit.

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#2 - New – We recommend the Saskatchewan Indian and Gaming Authority monitor activities of its service provider that manages its Casino Management System	94	Partially implemented	Extensive discussion has taken place between SIGA, Scientific Games (SciGames) and Deliotte to determine acceptable monitoring activities.	SIGA creates a change request for all changes made to the system by Scientific Games or the Sasktel Data Center. The change request requires sign off from all parties related to the change. Weekly calls take place between SIGA and Scientific Games to discuss pending changes to the CMS that Scientific Games and or the Sasktel Data Center are working on. A monitoring tool, Bomgar, tracks all system access and notifies SIGA when Scientific Games or Sasktel has accessed the system. The system requires users to log in and tracks all changes by user id. SIGA and Scientific Games entered into a Subscription Services Agreement dated July 3, 2018 which details out the roles and responsibilities of each party. The agreement holds Scientific Games responsible for delivering their services with honesty and good faith in an efficient, professional, industry standard manner at all times.	Partially Implemented - Ongoing discussion will continue in order to understand what additional controls are required.
Outstanding – We recommended the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority perform regular reviews of its computer application user accounts. (2010 Report – Volume 2, p. 260, Recommendation 2; Public Accounts Committee agreement January 20, 2011)	94	Implemented	SIGA has implemented a review schedule for all critical computer application systems to ensure timely user access reviews are performed.		Implemented - Provincial Auditor Report Volume 2 of 2020.

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Outstanding – We recommended the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority establish a written agreement with Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority indicating when it will receive the audit report on controls for the SIGA Casino Management System. (2019 Report – Volume 2, p. 94, Recommendation 1; Public Accounts Committee has not yet considered this recommendation as of November 2, 2020)	85	Partially implemented	2020-21 controls audit has been scheduled to begin on February 8, 2021. COVID has resulted in a later than anticipated start of December 2020 but should still allow for completion prior to deadlines agreed to between SIGA and SLGA	Feb 8 2021 controls audit scheduled	Partially implemented - Anticipating this will be implemented for the 2020/21 fiscal year-end audit.

Outstanding – We recommended the	85 &	Partially	Extensive discussion have	SciGames is providing a	Partially
Saskatchewan Indian and Gaming	86	Implemented	taken place between SIGA,	complete list of staff that	Implemented -
Authority monitor activities of its service			Scientific Games	have access to the SaskTel	Ongoing discussion
provider that manages its Casino			(SciGames) and Deloitte to	Hosted Site. SIGA is able to	will continue in order
Management System. (2019 Report -			determine acceptable	compare that with the	to understand what
Volume 2, p. 94, Recommendation 2;			monitoring activities.	SciGames personal that have	additional controls
Public Accounts Committee has not yet				accessed the system. If the	are required.
considered this recommendation as of				name is not on the list SIGA	
November 2, 2020)				escalates with SciGames.	
				All new SciGames staff that	
				require access to SIGA's	
				hosted systems, must be first	
				approved by SIGA via email.	
				 Access to review system 	
				change actions can be granted	
				to SIGA to review what	
				SciGames has done. SIGA	
				has put processes in place to	
				determine when such reviews	
				should be performed.	
				SciGames provides a list of	
				all system changes performed	
				by them.	

PAC Status Update Template February 8, 2021 Chapter 15, Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority Inc., Provincial Audit Report Volume 2 of 2018

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Outstanding – We recommended that Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority Inc. perform regular reviews of its computer application user accounts.(2010 Report – Volume2: Public Accounts Committee agreement January 20, 2011)	85	Implemented	SIGA has implemented a review schedule for all critical computer application systems to ensure timely user access reviews are performed.		Implemented in 2019-20

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Chapter 16, Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority, Provincial Auditor Report, Volume 2 in 2018.

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#1. New – We recommend that Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority management carry out detailed reviews of quarterly and year-end financial information to supporting documents (e.g. reconciliations, journal entries, financial reports).	90	Implemented	SLGA has taken steps to ensure the timeliness of detailed reviews and providing supporting documentation matching year-end financial information.		Implemented Provincial Auditor Report Volume 2 of 2019

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Chapter 42, Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority – Managing Projects with Significant IT Components, Provincial Auditor Report Volume 2 in 2018¹

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Outstanding – We recommended Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority give staff guidance on determining required skills for projects with significant IT components.(2015 Report – Volume 2; Public Accounts Committee agreement September 15, 2016)	284	Implemented (2020 ² , vol. 2, ch. 39)	Developed a competency matrix that requires business units, in consultation with the Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO), Financial Services and IT branches, and SLGA's Project Planning Committee, to identify and assess the skills needed for a particular project at the time a business case is being prepared. The matrix also assists business units in determining whether those skills exist internally or should be sourced externally to ensure that the appropriate resources are assigned to a project.	Implementation complete	Completed

¹ In 2018, the Provincial Auditor's follow up audit found that, of the five original recommendations made in 2015, one recommendation was implemented, three were partially implemented and one was not implemented.

² The 2020 follow up audit concluded that SLGA has implemented all outstanding recommendations.

Outstanding – We recommended, for projects with significant IT components, Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority give staff guidance on setting quality control requirements.(2015	284	Implemented (2020, vol. 2, ch. 39)	The EPMO and IT branch work with Project Managers and business units to communicate expectations for quality control requirements. Many of SLGA's projects are software/system upgrades where external vendors use established quality control standards. SLGA also employs internal Business Analysts to work with Project Managers to create test plans and set quality control requirements.	Implementation complete	Completed
Report – Volume2: Public Accounts Committee agreement September 15, 2016)			For projects with IT components, testing coordination work is conducted with project participants to ensure that test plans are created and captured in the Microsoft Test Management system where progress can be tracked and communicated.		
Outstanding – We recommended Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority require formal review and approval of project status reports for projects with significant IT components.(2015 Report – Volume 2; Public Accounts Committee agreement September 15, 2016)	286	Implemented (2020, vol. 2, ch. 39)	All projects are now required to have monthly project Steering Committee meetings that are attended by the Executive Sponsor, Project Sponsor, IT, Financial Services branch, EPMO representatives and other project leads. Project Managers are required to prepare and present project status reports at the Steering Committee meetings, and to keep minutes as a means of formally documenting review and approval of a project's status. Additionally, a summary of all status reports are presented to SLGA's Portfolio Management Committee (PMC) on a quarterly basis.	Implementation complete	Completed
Outstanding – We recommended that Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority monitor whether its projects with significant IT components achieved objectives set out in approved business cases and periodically report to its Board and senior management.(2015 Report – Volume 2; Public Accounts Committee agreement September 15, 2016)	286	Implemented (2020, vol. 2, ch. 39)	The EPMO's business case template now requires the business unit and Project Manager to document project objectives, anticipated outcomes, potential measures, and strategic alignment to SLGA's corporate priorities. Once the project is underway, the status of the objectives, outcomes and related measures are reviewed at monthly Steering Committee meetings. The EPMO also provides an update on objectives at quarterly PMC meetings, and includes a summary on the achievement of objectives in its bi-annual report to SLGA's Board of Directors.	Implementation complete	Completed

February 8, 2021 Chapter 36, Regulating Commercial Permittees' On-Table Sale of Liquor, Provincial Auditor Report Volume 1 of 2019

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Outstanding - We recommended that Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority monitor that its staff complete, when planned, inspections of permitted establishments that sell liquor for on-premise consumption, and obtain reasons for delayed inspections. (2017 Report – Volume 1, p. 153, Recommendation 3; Public Accounts Committee agreement June 13, 2018)	330	Partially Implemented	If an inspector is unable to complete the report within ten days the inspector communicates this to management and the reason, verbally or through an email for approval. The process is not immediately recorded in software system because it is administratively inefficient as inspectors do not have access to system when they are in the field and extensions may not be received and approved in time. When management reviews the work in the system they check to make sure that the report was completed within 10 days. If not, they confirm that they received verbal or written notice and approved the delay and it is documented in the system. If no prior notice and approval management communicates expectations with inspector. A process was implemented in November 2020 where the Director reviews the prior month's statistics on a monthly basis and follows up with management with any concerns.	Implementation for new matrix is scheduled for April 1, 2021 and is on track.	April 1, 2021.

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			An IT project is underway for an enhanced matrix that will allow for better allocation of resources to complete inspections as planned. The new project will allow for better monitoring and insight into inspections. Metrics have also been revised for on-table service to more appropriately reflect the risk in these establishments for planning purposes.		
Outstanding - We recommended that Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority formalize expected timeframes for completing liquor inspections and investigations and communicating sanctions to permittees who sell liquor for consumption at permitted establishments. (2017 Report – Volume 1, p. 153, Recommendation 2; Public Accounts Committee agreement June 13, 2018)	332	Partially Implemented	Timeframes have been formalized and staff have been made aware of them. The manual has been updated and will be rolled out to staff.	New manual will be provided to staff.	Prior to March 31, 2021.