UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report – October 26, 2006 (Date of earliest event reported)

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-24206 (Commission File Number)

23-2234473 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

825 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 200, Wyomissing Professional Center, Wyomissing, PA 19610

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Area Code (610) 373-2400

(Registrant's telephone number)

Check the appropriate box below if the form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 to Form 8-K):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 26, 2006, Penn National Gaming, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and conducted a conference call to discuss such financial results. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 <u>Financial Statements and Exhibits</u>.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated October 26, 2006, issued by Penn National Gaming, Inc. announcing its financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006.

Dated: November 1, 2006

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

By: /s/ Robert S. Ippolito
Robert S. Ippolito
Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

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the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by

News Announcement



Conference Call: Dial-in numbers: Webcast:

Today, October 26, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. EDT 212/896-6011 or 415/537-1818

www.pngaming.com

Replay information provided below

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PENN NATIONAL GAMING REPORTS THIRD QUARTER DILUTED EPS OF \$1.79, INCLUSIVE OF \$1.32 PER SHARE GAIN ON SALE

- EBITDA Rises 107% to \$162.8 Million --- Net Income Rises to \$155.1 Million, Inclusive of \$114.7 Million Gain on Sale --

- Establishes 2006 Fourth Quarter EBITDA Guidance of \$142.3 Million and Diluted EPS From Continuing Operations Guidance of \$0.34 -

Wyomissing, Penn., (October 26, 2006) – Penn National Gaming, Inc. (PENN: Nasdaq) today reported record third quarter operating results for the period ended September 30, 2006, as summarized below:

Summary of Third Quarter Results

		Three Months Ended September 30, Revised Guidance									
(in millions) (except per share data)	200	06 Actual		Guidance riginal (3)	Revised Guidar from August 9 2006 (4)		200	5 Actual			
Net revenues (1)	\$	586.1	\$	578.2			\$	286.9			
EBITDA (2)		162.8		160.2				78.6			
Less depreciation and amortization, gain/loss on disposal of assets, interest expense - net, income taxes, charges											
for stock compensation and other expenses		(122.4)		(117.1)				(58.8)			
Net income from continuing operations		40.4		43.1				19.8			
Loss from discontinued operations		_		_				(2.3)			
Gain on sale of discontinued operations		114.7		_				37.9			
Net income	\$	155.1	\$	43.1			\$	55.4			
Per share data											
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	0.47	\$	0.49	\$ 0	.47	\$	0.23			
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.79	\$	0.49	N	I/A	\$	0.64			

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In the three months ended September 30, 2006, Penn National Gaming executed an amended purchase agreement that, among other things, provided for the Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority's irrevocable waiver of any post-closing termination rights related to its purchase of The Downs Racing, Inc. This

⁽¹⁾ Revenue figures for all periods reflect a reclassification for cash redemption coupons to contra-revenue from operating expense. This reclassification had no effect on operating income, EBITDA, net income or earnings per share for the three month period ended September 30, 2005.

⁽²⁾ EBITDA is income from continuing operations excluding charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, gain or loss on disposal of assets, settlement costs and hurricane expenses, and is inclusive of earnings from joint venture. A reconciliation of net income per accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") to EBITDA, as well as income from continuing operations per GAAP to EBITDA is included in the accompanying financial schedules.

⁽³⁾ The figures in this column present the guidance Penn National Gaming provided on July 27, 2006 for the third quarter ended September 30, 2006.

⁽⁴⁾ On August 9, 2006, Penn National reported that it had secured new property insurance and that the incremental cost of securing the insurance would impact the original third quarter 2006 guidance by \$0.02 per diluted share (the original guidance was diluted earnings per share of \$0.49). The Company did not update its other third quarter financial guidance metrics on August 9, 2006.

agreement effectively completed the sale of The Downs Racing, Inc. and its subsidiaries to the Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, and Penn National recorded a net book gain on the sale of \$114.7 million (net of \$84.3 million of income taxes), or \$1.32 per diluted share.

In the three months ended September 30, 2005, Penn National Gaming recorded \$19.1 million of pre-tax expenses (\$12.3 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, after-tax) related to the impact of Hurricane Katrina on two gulf coast properties.

	Three Months Ended September 30,					
	2006 Actual 2005 Actual					
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	0.47	\$	0.23		
Hurricane Katrina expenses		_		0.14		
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations before						
Hurricane Katrina expenses	\$	0.47	\$	0.37		

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There were numerous factors that affected the Company's results for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006, including the following:

- The successful integration of the Argosy Gaming Company properties, which were acquired in October 2005;
- · The contribution of Hollywood Slots at Bangor, which opened in November 2005;
- · A full-quarter's contribution from Boomtown Biloxi, which re-opened in June 2006;
- · A partial quarter's contribution from Hollywood Casino® Bay St. Louis, which re-opened in late August 2006;
- · Continued better than historical operating results at Casino Rouge since Hurricane Katrina;
- The impact of the 3% Illinois tax surcharge on the Company's two Chicagoland boats, which amounted to \$4.0 million pre-tax, or \$0.02 per diluted share in the quarter ended September 30, 2006;
- The impact of increased windstorm and flood insurance costs compared to the prior year which amounted to approximately \$4.0 million pre-tax, or \$0.02 per diluted share, for the period between August 8, 2006 and September 30, 2006;
- · Funding Penn National Gaming's share of the Ohio Learn and Earn referendum;
- Absorbing a \$1.5 million pre-tax charge, or \$0.01 per diluted share, related to the Company's share of converting the Pension Plan at Freehold Raceway from a defined-benefit plan to a defined-contribution plan; and,
- · A \$3.8 million charge to income taxes, or \$0.04 per diluted share, for items identified in preparation of our tax returns.

Commenting on the results, Peter M. Carlino, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Penn National said, "Reflecting the strength and resilience of the regional markets in which we operate, Penn National achieved record third quarter operating results. With the opening in late August of Hollywood Casino-Bay St. Louis, Penn National has rebounded from the devastation of last year's hurricane and is completely focused on expanding our operating base and generating returns on invested capital that will continue to bring value to our shareholders.

"As described in greater detail below, in Pennsylvania, we are presently in the process of developing a state-of-the-art integrated racing and gaming facility at our racetrack outside of Harrisburg. In Maine, we've received the requisite host community approvals for construction of our permanent gaming facility. In Ohio, we're continuing to provide support for a proposed constitutional amendment that would establish a tuition grant program for Ohio students and permit slot machines at our Raceway Park facility, and eight other locations in the state. In West Virginia, we're continuing to advance our long-term plan for Charles Town Races. Finally, the Company is moving forward on Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg's new two-level barge, which will significantly expand the number of available gaming positions.

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"In August, the Company commenced construction of its planned, permanent Hollywood Casino racing and gaming facility at Penn National Race Course. In late September, the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board granted the Company a conditional Category 1 slot machine license. Over the next year, we plan to create an exciting entertainment destination featuring a five-story, 365,000 square foot facility with initial capacity for 3,000 slot machines. The project is expected to create approximately 800 new jobs, to open with 2,000 slots, and to feature a food court and track side dining, a sports bar, various racing area concessions, bar and lounge areas on the gaming level, and a five-story parking garage with valet service. The long-term plan for Penn National Race Course, which includes the potential addition of a hotel and conference center, retail outlets, entertainment center, and additional parking deck, would allow the facility to accommodate up to 5,000 gaming devices. We view Hollywood Casino at Penn National as both a near- and long-term growth driver, similar to Charles Town Races, in that we expect it to be among the largest in the nation in terms of gaming positions, have unique customer feeder markets, and, based on our analysis, deliver very attractive returns on invested capital.

"Charles Town has recorded growth in annual EBITDA in each year since its 1997 opening, which reflects our continued investment in the facility and the track according to our long-term plan. The first phase of Charles Town's current expansion adds gaming floor capacity for an additional 800 gaming devices and is on schedule for opening in the first quarter of 2007. Subsequently, development will continue at the property with additional gaming floor space to accommodate another 1,000 slots, parking and food and beverage expansions and a hotel. Ultimately, we envision Charles Town Races will feature approximately 6,000 slot machines.

"While smaller in scale than our Hollywood Casino at Penn National and Charles Town projects, we are also very excited about the prospective value to be derived from our Hollywood Slots at Bangor permanent facility given the strong EBITDA returns generated by the temporary facility in its first year of operation. Last month, we presented to local leaders our plans for the proposed permanent facility, to be located across the street from Bangor Raceway at Bass Park, in close proximity to Interstate 395. This followed our resolution during the quarter of the final property ownership issue related to the proposed site. Construction of Hollywood Slots, which will feature a two-story semi-circular glass tower, is expected to begin in early 2007. We anticipate the 116,000-square-foot Bangor facility will open mid-2008 with 500 employees, 1,000 slots, and capacity for 1,500 gaming machines, and will also include a

"Ohio represents another market in which we are seeking to leverage our property development and management capabilities to deliver value for stockholders while creating a unique and very significant pool of tuition funds for in-state college students. During the November 7 election, Ohioans will vote on Issue 3, an amendment to allow slots at seven existing racetracks — including Penn National's Raceway Park in Toledo — and two non-racing casinos in Cleveland with up to 3,500 slots per location. With support from the state's three major horsemen's groups and the potential to deliver more than \$853 million per year in college tuition and an additional \$200 million per year to local governments for attracting new businesses and jobs, we are hopeful that the amendment will pass.

"Penn National's other development projects, including the hotel at Argosy Casino Riverside and the Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg barge and parking project, remain on track with our previously announced budgets.

"While our current properties consistently deliver excellent quarterly results, Penn National Gaming continues to execute on a disciplined, yet aggressive approach to achieving growth both organically and through acquisitions."

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Amount Expended

Development and Expansion Projects

The table below outlines Penn National Gaming's current pipeline of new or expanded facilities:

Project/Scope	New Gaming Positions		Planned Total Budget	:	through September 30, 2006	Expected Opening Date		
				illions	5)			
Charles Town (WV) - Casino expansion including a hotel and a 65,000 square foot expansion of the gaming floor. Gaming space will be finished in two phases: the first phase will be completed in the first quarter of 2007, and will								
allow for 800 more gaming machines, and the second phase will provide capacity for an additional 1,000 gaming machines.	800	\$	80	\$	7	First phase of gaming space 1C		
machines.	800	Ф	80	Э	/	07		
Argosy Casino Riverside (MO) - Construction of 258-room hotel.	_	\$	66	\$	37	Hotel 2Q '07		
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg (IN) - New two-level 250,000 square foot gaming barge, an additional 1,500 space parking garage and road and infrastructure improvements. The gaming barge will allow 4,000 positions on one level and another 400 positions will be added to the second level, along with restaurants and other amenities on the gaming barge.	1,600	\$	310	\$	57	Parking facility 4Q '07; gaming facility 4Q '08		
Hollywood Casino at Penn National (PA) - Building an integratedracing and gaming facility. Budget includes a \$50 million license fee and the purchase of an initial 2,000 slot machines (with the building size sufficient to add 1,000 additional machines), a 2,500 space parking garage and several restaurants.	2,000	\$	310	\$	26	1Q '08		
Hollywood Slots at Bangor (ME) -								
Building a permanent facility, which will include a 1,500 slot facility (1,000 slot machines at opening), a 1,500 space parking garage, several restaurants and								
an off-track wagering facility.	525	\$	90	\$	3	2Q '08		

Financial Guidance

The following table sets forth current guidance targets for continuing operations for the 2006 fourth quarter and full year, based on the following assumptions:

- The repair of Boomtown Biloxi and Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis are assumed to be completely funded through insurance recoveries;
- Although Penn National Gaming expects to receive business interruption insurance proceeds resulting from the hurricane damage incurred at Boomtown Biloxi and Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis, the Company cannot presently determine the amount or the timing of such payments and, as such, these proceeds are excluded from guidance;
- · Fourth quarter operating results from the Company's Casino Rouge property are expected to be moderately better than what the facility produced in the periods prior to the impact of Hurricane Katrina;
- The impact of increased windstorm and flood insurance costs compared to the fourth quarter of 2005 is expected to be approximately \$6.0 million pre-tax, or \$0.04 per diluted share;
- While the Company has been granted an injunction blocking the distribution of Illinois' 3% additional gaming tax at its Empress Casino Hotel and Hollywood Casino Aurora properties, we will continue to accrue for and pay such taxes until the matter is resolved. In aggregate, we will incur incremental gaming taxes in the 2006 fourth quarter of approximately \$3.8 million, which will impact earnings per diluted share by \$0.02;
- · Penn National Gaming is currently required by the Illinois Gaming Board to reach a definitive sales agreement for the Empress Casino Hotel by June 30, 2008. However, the results of Empress Casino Hotel are included in continuing operations as the accounting standards for treating properties as "assets held for sale" will not be met in 2006; as such, the results from the property are included in our 2006 fourth quarter and full year guidance;
- · Anticipated fourth quarter and full year 2006 results include our expected expenses for supporting the November 2006 referendum in Ohio, which are not deductible for tax purposes;
- · Anticipated 2006 results include a pre-tax non-cash charge for stock compensation of \$20.6 million (\$13.3 million net of taxes, or \$0.15 per share);
- The effective tax rate for federal, state and local income taxes for the fourth quarter and full year 2006 will be 43.2% and 43.5% respectively, reflecting the impact of better operating results in jurisdictions with higher state income tax and the non-deductibility of political lobbying expenses;
- · The Company will have approximately 86.6 million diluted shares outstanding as of December 31, 2006; and,
- There will be no material changes in economic conditions, applicable legislation or regulation, world events, weather, or other circumstances beyond our control that may adversely affect the Company's results of operations.

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Financial Guidance

	Three Mo	onths Ended		Full Year Ended					
(in millions, except per share data)	December 31, 2006 Guidance	December 31, 2005 Actual (5)	2006 Rev Guidar	ice	2006 Guidance Original (3)	Revised Guidance from August 9, 2006 (4)	Acti	005 ual (5)	
Net revenues (1)	\$ 558.6	\$ 504.5		2,230.3	\$ 2,220.2		\$	1,369.1	
EBITDA (2)	142.3	143.9		625.1	627.1			373.3	
Less depreciation and amortization, gain/loss on disposal of assets, interest expense - net, income taxes, hurricane costs, charge for stock compensation and other expenses	(112.8)	(103.2)	(463.9)	(460.4)			(241.1)	
AT									
Net income from continuing operations before charge for early extinguishment of debt, hurricane expense, settlement charges and impairment charge for Penn									
National grandstand	29.5	40.7		161.2	166.7			132.2	
Charge for early extinguishment of debt, net of tax	_	(0.8)	(6.5)	(6.5)			(11.7)	
Hurricane expense, net of tax	_	(1.2)	`—`	`—'			(13.7)	
Settlement charges, net of tax	_	`-		_	_			(16.8)	
Impairment charge for Penn National grandstand, net of tax	_	(2.5)	_	_			(2.8)	
Net income from continuing									
operations GAAP	\$ 29.5	\$ 36.2	\$	154.7	\$ 160.2		\$	87.2	
Diluted earnings per share before charge for early extinguishment of debt, hurricane expense, settlement charges, and impairment charge for									
Penn National grandstand	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.47	\$	1.86	\$ 1.91		\$	1.55	
EPS impact of charge for early extinguishment of debt, hurricane expense, settlement charges, and impairment charge for Penn									
National grandstand	_	(0.05)	(0.07)	(0.07)			(0.53)	

- (1) Reflects reclassification for cash redemption coupons to contra-revenue from operating expense.
- (2) EBITDA is income from continuing operations excluding charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, gain or loss on disposal of assets, settlement costs and hurricane expenses, and is inclusive of earnings from joint venture.
- (3) The figures in this column present the guidance Penn National Gaming provided on July 27, 2006 for the full year ended December 31, 2006.
- (4) On August 9, 2006, Penn National reported that it had secured new property insurance and that the incremental cost of securing the insurance would impact the full year 2006 guidance by \$0.05 per diluted share (the original guidance for diluted earnings per share from continuing operations was \$1.84). The Company did not update its other financial guidance metrics on August 9, 2006.
- (5) 2005 Actual results do not include charges for stock compensation.

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information – Continuing Operations (in thousands) (unaudited)

NET REVENUES (1)
Three Months Ended September 30,
2006 2005

EBITDA (2)
Three Months Ended September 30

2006

Charles Town Entertainment Complex		2006	2005		2000		2005
	\$	126,973	\$ 118,403	\$		\$	35,954
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg		120,206	_		39,852		_
Hollywood Casino Aurora		61,781	58,619		18,964		20,059
Empress Casino Hotel		59,852	_		13,784		_
Argosy Casino Riverside		37,999	_		11,499		_
Casino Rouge		33,333	28,877		13,890		10,859
Argosy Casino Alton		29,090	_		7,638		_
Hollywood Casino Tunica		27,089	26,855		6,597		7,346
Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis (3)		10,767	16,366		3,156		3,011
Argosy Casino Sioux City		13,319	_		4,215		_
Boomtown Biloxi (3)		27,927	10,782		12,456		2,355
Hollywood Slots at Bangor		11,187	733		3,191		(737)
Bullwhackers		6,903	7,888		922		1,383
Casino Rama management service contract		4,819	5,201		4,466		4,829
Pennsylvania Racing Operations		12,691	13,213		795		268
Raceway Park		2,175	_		(163)		_
Earnings from Pennwood Racing, Inc.		_	_		(1,665)		230
Corporate overhead		_	_		(14,389)		(6,984)
Total	\$	586,111	\$ 286,937	\$		\$	78,573
	N		ENUES (1) led September 30, 2005	_	Nine Months Endo	ed Se	ptember 30, 2005
Charles Town Entertainment Complex	\$	366,343		<u>_</u>		_	
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		355,363	· —		118,593	\$	
Hollywood Casino Aurora		355,363 184,234	169,862		118,593 60,483	\$	98,562 — 55,268
Hollywood Casino Aurora Empress Casino Hotel		355,363 184,234 179,904	· —		118,593 60,483 48,568	\$	
Hollywood Casino Aurora Empress Casino Hotel Argosy Casino Riverside		355,363 184,234 179,904 114,601	169,862 —		118,593 60,483 48,568 37,100	\$	55,268 — —
Hollywood Casino Aurora Empress Casino Hotel Argosy Casino Riverside Casino Rouge		355,363 184,234 179,904 114,601 111,900	· —		118,593 60,483 48,568 37,100 50,492	\$	
Hollywood Casino Aurora Empress Casino Hotel Argosy Casino Riverside Casino Rouge Argosy Casino Alton		355,363 184,234 179,904 114,601 111,900 86,814	169,862 — — 86,428		118,593 60,483 48,568 37,100 50,492 23,513	\$	55,268 — — 32,078 —
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- (2) EBITDA is income from continuing operations excluding charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, gain or loss on disposal of assets, settlement costs and hurricane expenses, and is inclusive of earnings from joint venture. A reconciliation of net income per accounting principles

- generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") to EBITDA, as well as income from continuing operations per GAAP to EBITDA is included in the accompanying financial schedules.
- (3) Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis and Boomtown Biloxi were closed effective August 28, 2005 due to hurricane damage. Boomtown Biloxi reopened on June 29, 2006 and Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis reopened on August 31, 2006.

Reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income (GAAP)

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information – Continuing Operations (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Mon Septem		Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2006	 2005		2006		2005		
EBITDA	\$ 162,835	\$ 78, 573	\$	482,784	\$	229,359		
Loss (earnings) from joint venture	1,665	(230)		678		(1,216)		
Depreciation and amortization	(31,196)	(14,942)		(88,642)		(46,406)		
Charge for stock compensation	(4,831)	_		(15,235)		_		
Settlement costs and hurricane expense	_	(19,142)		_		(47,317)		
Loss on disposals	(418)	(1,965)		(792)		(2,186)		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 128,055	\$ 42,294	\$	378,793	\$	132,234		
Interest expense	(49,732)	(12,824)		(145,927)		(41,652)		
Interest income	882	958		2,652		3,180		
(Loss) earnings from joint venture	(1,665)	230		(678)		1,216		
Other	(593)	532		(519)		438		
Charge for early extinguishment of debt	_	_		(10,022)		(16,673)		
Taxes on income	(36,548)	(11,386)		(99,222)		(27,793)		
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 40,399	\$ 19,804	\$	125,077	\$	50,950		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	_	(2,291)		_		(5,512)		
Gain on sale of discontinued operations	114,661	37,888		114,661		37,888		
Net income	\$ 155,060	\$ 55,401	\$	239,738	\$	83,326		

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Reconciliation of Income from Continuing Operations (GAAP) to EBITDA

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, 2006

	fı cont	come com inuing		for stock		Depreciation and		(Gain)/loss on disposal of		Loss from joint		EDVED A
Charles Town Entertainment	opei	ations	compe	nsation	_	amortization		assets		venture		EBITDA
	¢	31,917	\$		¢	5,712	\$	(2)	\$		¢	37,627
Complex Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	Ф	35,599	J	_	Ф	4,273	Ф	(20)	Ф	_	Ф	39,852
Hollywood Casino Aurora		16,680				2,284		(20)		_		18,964
Empress Casino Hotel		10,768		_		3,016				_		13,784
Argosy Casino Riverside		8,451				2,892		156		_		11,499
Casino Rouge		11,564		_		2,061		265		_		13,890
Argosy Casino Alton		5,573				2,065		203		_		7,638
Hollywood Casino Tunica		4,785		_		1,812		_		_		6,597
Hollywood Casino Bay St.		4,703				1,012						0,337
Louis (1)		2,163				992		1				3,156
Argosy Casino Sioux City		3,133				1,082		1				4,215
Boomtown Biloxi (1)		10,959				1,497						12,456
Hollywood Slots at Bangor		2,130				1,061						3,191
Bullwhackers		350		_		564		8		_		922
Casino Rama management		330				304		O .				322
service contract		4,466		_				_		_		4,466
Pennsylvania Racing		4,400										7,700
Operations		439		_		346		10		_		795
Raceway Park		(190)				27				_		(163)
Earnings from Pennwood		(150)				,						(100)
Racing, Inc.				_		<u>—</u>		_		(1,665)		(1,665)
Corporate overhead		(20,732)		4,831		1,512		_		(1,005)		(14,389)
Total		\$128,055	\$	4,831	\$	31,196	\$	418	\$	(1,665)	\$	162,835
	_	\$1 2 0,000		.,001	4	31,100	<u> </u>	.10	*	(2,030)	<u> </u>	102,555

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, 2005

Income Settlement Earnings

		from ntinuing erations		costs and hurricane expense		epreciation and mortization		(Gain)/loss n disposal of assets		from joint venture	1	EBITDA
Charles Town Entertainment Complex	\$	29,408	\$	—	\$	4,828	\$	1,718	\$	- Venture	\$	35,954
Hollywood Casino Aurora	Ψ	17.842	Ψ	_	Ψ	2,217	Ψ		Ψ	_	Ψ	20,059
Casino Rouge		8,897		_		1,884		78		_		10,859
Hollywood Casino Tunica		5,096		_		2,216		34		_		7,346
Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis (1)		(10,809)		12,351		1,442		27		_		3,011
Boomtown Biloxi (1)		(5,236)		6,791		704		96		_		2,355
Hollywood Slots at Bangor		(780)		_		43		_		_		(737)
Bullwhackers		876		_		495		12				1,383
Casino Rama management service contract		4,829		_		_		_		_		4,829
Pennsylvania Racing Operations		(75)		_		343		_				268
Earnings from Pennwood Racing, Inc.		_		_		_		_		230		230
Corporate overhead		(7,754)				770						(6,984)
Total	\$	42,294	\$	19,142	\$	14,942	\$	1,965	\$	230	\$	78,573

⁽¹⁾ Income from continuing operations and EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 reflects the closure of Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis and Boomtown Biloxi, which incurred extensive hurricane damage in August 2005. Boomtown Biloxi reopened on June 29, 2006, and Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis reopened on August 31, 2006.

Reconciliation of Income from Continuing Operations (GAAP) to EBITDA

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006

	Income from continuing operations		Charge for stock compensation	Depreciation and amortization	0	(Gain)/loss on disposal of assets	Loss from joint venture	EBITDA
Charles Town Entertainment								
Complex		2,301 \$	—	\$ 15,240	\$	(360)	\$ _	\$ 107,181
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	10	5,469	_	13,164		(40)	_	118,593
Hollywood Casino Aurora	5	3,924	_	6,727		(168)	_	60,483
Empress Casino Hotel	3	3,645	_	9,923		· —	_	48,568
Argosy Casino Riverside	2	3,371	_	8,538		191	_	37,100
Casino Rouge	4	3,136	_	6,238		1,118	_	50,492
Argosy Casino Alton	1	5,478	_	7,035		· —	_	23,513
Hollywood Casino Tunica	1	5,814	_	5,681		2	_	21,497
Hollywood Casino Bay St.								
Louis (1)		1,789	_	1,345		22	_	3,156
Argosy Casino Sioux City	1	0,121	_	3,060		3	_	13,184
Boomtown Biloxi (1)	1	1,221	_	1,497		_	_	12,718
Hollywood Slots at Bangor		5,260	_	2,909		_	_	8,169
Bullwhackers		842	_	1,608		14	_	2,464
Casino Rama management				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
service contract	1	3,098	_					13,098
Pennsylvania Racing								
Operations		1,288	_	967		10	_	2,265
Raceway Park		(369)	_	140		_	_	(229)
Earnings from Pennwood		` ′						` ′
Racing, Inc.		_	_	_		_	(678)	(678)
Corporate overhead	(5	3,595)	15,235	4,570		_	_	(38,790)
Total		3,793 \$	5 15,235	\$ 88,642	\$	792	\$ (678)	\$ 482,784

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

	Income from continuing operations	Settlement costs and hurricane expense	Depreciation and amortization	(Gain)/loss on disposal of assets	Earnings from joint venture	EBITDA
Charles Town Entertainment Complex	\$ 83,300	\$ —	\$ 13,524	\$ 1,738	<u> </u>	\$ 98,562
Hollywood Casino Aurora	48,371	_	6,897	_	_	55,268
Casino Rouge	(1,865)	28,175	5,779	(11)	_	32,078
Hollywood Casino Tunica	14,029	_	6,420	34	_	20,483
Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis (1)	(4,436)	12,351	6,098	90	_	14,103
Boomtown Biloxi (1)	1,123	6,791	2,766	289	_	10,969
Hollywood Slots at Bangor	(990)	_	130	_	_	(860)
Bullwhackers	1,705	_	1,431	48	_	3,184
Casino Rama management service contract	12,959	_	_	_	_	12,959
Pennsylvania Racing Operations	2,086	_	1,061	_	_	3,147
Earnings from Pennwood Racing, Inc.	_	_	_	_	1,216	1,216
Corporate overhead	(24,048)	_	2,300	(2)	_	(21,750)
Total	\$ 132,234	\$ 47,317	\$ 46,406	\$ 2,186	\$ 1,216	\$ 229,359

⁽¹⁾ Income from continuing operations and EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 reflects the closure of Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis and Boomtown Biloxi, which incurred extensive hurricane damage in August 2005. Boomtown Biloxi reopened on June 29, 2006 and Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis reopened on August 31, 2006.

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Income (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2006		2005		2006		2005
Revenues								
Gaming (1)	\$	536,901	\$	249,824	\$	1,531,155	\$	749,962
Racing	Ф	13,075	φ	11,627	Ф	40,277	Ф	36,731
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		4,819		5,201				13,968
Management service fee Food, beverage and other						14,127		
Gross revenues		59,198	_	34,113	_	164,183 1,749,742	_	111,263
		613,993		300,765				911,924
Less promotional allowances		(27,882)		(13,828)		(78,056)		(47,353)
Net revenues		586,111		286,937		1,671,686		864,571
Operating expenses								
Gaming (1)		278,079		136,535		788,705		403,557
		10,094		9,173		31,020		28,241
Racing Food, beverage and other		52,703		25,603		149,931		75,328
General and administrative		85,984		39,248				
		05,904				234,595		131,488
Hurricane expense		_		19,142		_		19,142
Settlement costs		— D1 100		1 4 0 4 2				28,175
Depreciation and amortization		31,196	_	14,942		88,642	_	46,406
Total operating expenses		458,056		244,643		1,292,893		732,337
Income from continuing operations		128,055		42,294		378,793		132,234
Other income (ermanes)								
Other income (expenses)		(49,732)		(12,824)		(145,927)		(41,652)
Interest expense Interest income		882		958		2,652		
11 111 11 1		(1,665)		230		(678)		3,180
(Loss) earnings from joint venture Other				532		. ,		1,216
		(593)		532		(519)		438
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		(51.100)		(11.104)		(10,022)		(16,673)
Total other expenses		(51,108)		(11,104)		(154,494)		(53,491)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		76,947		31,190		224,299		78,743
Taxes on income		36,548		11,386		99,222		27,793
Net income from continuing operations		40,399		19,804		125,077		50,950
ivet income from continuing operations		40,399		19,004		125,077		50,950
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax		_		(2,291)				(5,512)
Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of tax		114,661		37,888		114,661		37,888
Net income	\$	155,060	\$	55,401	\$	239,738	\$	83,326
Tet meome	Ψ	155,000	Ψ	33,401	Ψ	255,750	Ψ	05,520
Earnings per share-Basic								
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.48	\$	0.24	\$	1.49	\$	0.62
Discontinued operations, net of tax	Ψ	1.36	Ψ	0.43	Ψ	1.36	Ψ	0.39
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.84	\$	0.67	\$	2.85	\$	1.01
busic curmings per shure	Ψ	1.04	Ψ	0.07	Ψ	2.03	Ψ	1.01
Earnings per share-Diluted								
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.47	\$	0.23	\$	1.45	\$	0.59
Discontinued operations, net of tax	ψ	1.32	Ψ	0.23	Ψ	1.43	Ψ	0.38
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.79	\$	0.64	\$	2.77	\$	0.97
Diates carinings per source	Ψ	1.73	Ψ	0.04	Ψ	2.77	Ψ	0.57
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic		84,385		83,259		84,124		82,754
Diluted		86,580		86,186		86,505		85,777
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⁽¹⁾ Reflects reclassification for cash redemption coupons to contra-revenue from operating expense.

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Argosy Gaming Company - Results for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005

On October 3, 2005, Penn National Gaming completed the acquisition of Argosy Gaming Company with the transaction treated for accounting purposes as effective October 1, 2005. The table below summarizes the operating performance of the Argosy Gaming Company properties during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005. Although Penn National Gaming did not own Argosy Gaming Company during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2005, the Company believes this data is useful to investors in considering the value this transaction brings to Penn National. As

previously disclosed, Penn National Gaming completed the sale of Argosy Casino-Baton Rouge on October 25, 2005 and is currently required by the Illinois Gaming Board to reach a definitive sales agreement for the Empress Casino Hotel by June 30, 2008.

Investors should also be aware that Argosy previously included (gain)/loss on disposal of assets in EBITDA while Penn National does not; the results below are furnished based on Penn National's methodology.

		NET REV			EBITDA (2) (in thousands)				
	Th	ree Months En		ptember 30,	Th	ree Months En		ptember 30,	
		2006		2005		2006	_	2005	
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	\$	120,206	\$	114,441	\$	39,852	\$	37,776	
Empress Casino Hotel		59,852		60,770		13,784		17,391	
Argosy Casino Riverside		37,999		33,599		11,499		9,363	
Argosy Casino Alton		29,090		27,516		7,638		5,941	
Argosy Casino Sioux City		13,319		13,242		4,215		3,926	
Raceway Park		2,175		_		(163)		_	
		NET REV				EBIT			
	Ni	(in tho	usands)		(in tho	ısands		
	Ni		usands) otember 30,	Ni		ısands	tember 30,	
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	Ni \$	in tho) ne Months End	usands)	Nii	in thou) ne Months End	ısands		
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg Empress Casino Hotel		(in tho ne Months End 2006	usands led Sep) otember 30, 2005		(in thouse ne Months End 2006	ısands led Sep	2005	
		(in thom ne Months End 2006 355,363	usands led Sep	otember 30, 2005 339,068		(in thouse ne Months End 2006 118,593	ısands led Sep	2005 111,552	
Empress Casino Hotel		(in thomas in the Months End 2006 355,363 179,904	usands led Sep	339,068 172,098		(in thot ne Months End 2006 118,593 48,568	ısands led Sep	2005 111,552 44,403	
Empress Casino Hotel Argosy Casino Riverside		(in thome Months End 2006 355,363 179,904 114,601	usands led Sep	339,068 172,098 106,351		(in thome Months End 2006 118,593 48,568 37,100	ısands led Sep	111,552 44,403 31,235	

⁽¹⁾ Reflects reclassification for cash redemption coupons to contra-revenue from operating expense.

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ARGOSY GAMING COMPANY Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, 2005

Reconciliation of Income from Operations (GAAP) to Adjusted EBITDA

	 Income from operations		Depreciation and amortization	EBITDA (1)		(Gain)/loss on disposal of assets		Adjusted EBITDA (2)	
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	\$ 33,914	\$	3,862	37,776	\$	_	\$	37,776	
Empress Casino Hotel	15,035		2,352	17,387		4		17,391	
Argosy Casino Riverside	6,268		3,095	9,363		_		9,363	
Argosy Casino Alton	4,418		1,523	5,941		_		5,941	
Argosy Casino Sioux City	2,902		1,025	3,927		(1)		3,926	

ARGOSY GAMING COMPANY

Property Information Including Corporate Overhead (in thousands) (unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

Reconciliation of Income from Operations (GAAP) to Adjusted EBITDA

	Income from operations		Depreciation and amortization	(Gain)/loss on disposal EBITDA (1) of assets		òn disposal	Adjusted EBITDA (2)	
Argosy Casino Lawrenceburg	\$ 100,308	\$	11,243	111,551	\$	1	\$	111,552
Empress Casino Hotel	37,395		7,101	44,496		(93)		44,403
Argosy Casino Riverside	21,292		9,898	31,190		45		31,235
Argosy Casino Alton	12,461		4,818	17,279		_		17,279
Argosy Casino Sioux City	9,489		2,971	12,460		2		12,462

⁽¹⁾ EBITDA is income from continuing operations excluding charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, and gain or loss on disposal of assets, and is inclusive of earnings from joint venture.

⁽²⁾ EBITDA is income from continuing operations excluding charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, and gain or loss on disposal of assets, and is inclusive of earnings from joint venture. A reconciliation of income from operations per accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") to EBITDA is included in the accompanying financial schedules.

⁽²⁾ Adjusted EBITDA excludes gain/loss on disposal of assets.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures to GAAP

EBITDA, or earnings before interest, taxes, charges for stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, gain or loss on disposal of assets, settlement costs and hurricane expenses, and inclusive of earnings from joint venture, is not a measure of performance or liquidity calculated in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). EBITDA information is presented as a supplemental disclosure, as management believes that it is a widely used measure of performance in the gaming industry. In addition, management uses EBITDA as the primary measure of the operating performance of its properties, including the evaluation of operating personnel. EBITDA should not be construed as an alternative to operating income, as an indicator of the Company's operating performance, as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, as a measure of liquidity, or as any other measure of performance determined in accordance with GAAP. The Company has significant uses of cash flows, including capital expenditures, interest payments, taxes and debt principal repayments, which are not reflected in EBITDA. It should also be noted that other gaming companies that report EBITDA information may calculate EBITDA in a different manner than the Company. Diluted earnings per share before charges for early extinguishment of debt and stock compensation is presented solely as a supplemental disclosure, as management believes that it is a principal basis for the valuation of gaming companies, as this measure is considered by many to be a better indicator of the Company's operating results than diluted net income per Share per GAAP. A reconciliation of the Company's EBITDA to net income per GAAP, as well as the Company's EBITDA to income from continuing operations per GAAP, is included in the accompanying financial schedules.

A reconciliation of each property's EBITDA to income from operations is included in the financial schedules herein. On a property level, EBITDA is reconciled to income from continuing operations per GAAP, rather than net income per GAAP due to, among other things, the impracticability of allocating interest expense, interest income, income taxes and certain other items to the Company's various properties on a property-by-property basis. Management believes that this presentation is more meaningful to investors in evaluating the performance of the Company's individual properties and is consistent with the reporting of other gaming companies.

Penn National is hosting a conference call and simultaneous webcast at 9:00 am EDT today, both of which are open to the general public. The conference call number is 212/896-6011 or 415/537-1818; please call five minutes in advance to ensure that you are connected prior to the presentation. Questions and answers will be reserved for call-in analysts and investors. Interested parties may also access the live call on the Internet at www.pngaming.com; allow 15 minutes to register and download and install any necessary software.

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Following its completion, a replay of the call can be accessed until November 9, 2006, by dialing 800/633-8284 or 402/977-9140 (international callers). The access code for the replay is 21306136. A replay of the call can also be accessed for thirty days on the Internet at www.pngaming.com. This press release, which includes financial information to be discussed by management during the conference call and disclosure and reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures, is available on the Company's web site, www.pngaming.com in the "News" section (select link for "Press Releases").

About Penn National Gaming

Penn National Gaming owns and operates casino and horse racing facilities with a focus on slot machine entertainment. The Company presently operates sixteen facilities in thirteen jurisdictions including Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ontario. In aggregate, Penn National's facilities feature approximately 21,000 slot machines, over 425 table games, approximately 1,500 hotel rooms and approximately 630,000 square feet of gaming floor space.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may vary materially from expectations. Penn describes certain of these risks and uncertainties in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. Meaningful factors which could cause actual results to differ from expectations described in this press release include, but are not limited to, the passage of state, federal or local legislation that would expand, restrict, further tax or prevent gaming operations in the jurisdictions in which we do business; our ability to successfully integrate the operations of Argosy Gaming Company; the activities of our competitors; increases in our effective rate of taxation at any of our properties or at the corporate level; successful completion of capital projects at our gaming and pari-mutuel facilities; the ability of the Company to recover losses under its insurance policies; the existence of attractive acquisition candidates and the costs and risks involved in the pursuit of those acquisitions; our ability to maintain regulatory approvals for our existing businesses and to receive regulatory approvals for our new businesses (including without limitation a final operators' license in Pennsylvania); delays in the process of finalizing gaming regulations and the establishment of related governmental infrastructure in Pennsylvania; the maintenance of agreements with our horsemen, parimutuel clerks and other organized labor groups; our dependence on key personnel; the impact of terrorism and other international hostilities and the availability and cost of financing and other factors as discussed in the Company's filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Furthermore, the Company does not intend to update publicly any forward-looking statements except as required by law. The cautionary advice in this paragraph is permitted

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