

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

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In re:	)	Chapter 11
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CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT OPERATING	)	Case No. 15-01145 (ABG)
COMPANY, INC., et al.,	)	
Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
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**CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION’S PRELIMINARY RESPONSE TO  
THE DEBTORS’ MOTION FOR THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER APPROVING  
APPOINTMENT OF A MEDIATOR TO MEDIATE ISSUES RELATING TO A  
CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF REORGANIZATION**

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Pursuant to the Court’s Amended Case Management Procedures, dated April 15, 2015, Caesars Entertainment Corporation (“CEC”) submits this preliminary response to the *Debtors’ Motion for the Entry of an Order Approving Appointment of a Mediator to Mediate Issues Relating to a Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization*, ECF No. 3195 (the “Motion”), and in support thereof, respectfully states as follows:

1. CEC is supportive of the Motion. If the relevant key stakeholders in the Debtors’ chapter 11 cases are unable to resolve their disputes over issues relating to the Debtors’ chapter 11 plan of reorganization (“Plan Issues”), and mediation can facilitate a resolution, then CEC is willing to participate in the mediation process to eliminate remaining impediments to a chapter 11 plan of reorganization that will satisfy, and benefit, all parties.

2. CEC agrees with the Debtors that for any mediation to be successful (a) the Examiner’s report must first be filed and the relevant key stakeholders who would participate in any mediation have adequate time to evaluate it, and (b) the mediation must run on a parallel path with the Debtors’ moving forward with a disclosure statement hearing and plan confirmation. Mediation should not delay the plan process.

3. Furthermore, any order granting the Motion and appointing a mediator should be done in conjunction with the Debtors' requested section 105 injunction enjoining the guaranty litigation against CEC. As the Court is aware from the trial on the section 105 injunction, if CEC were to lose at trial on the guaranty litigation it will be unable to make any contribution to the Debtors' plan making Plan Issues, and therefore mediation, moot.

**Conclusion**

For all the reasons set forth above, CEC respectfully requests that the Court grant the Motion consistent with the comments set out above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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