

### APRIL 2018 Acquisition of Tropicana Entertainment and Grand Victoria Casino



# **Forward Looking Statements**

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### **Transaction Overview**













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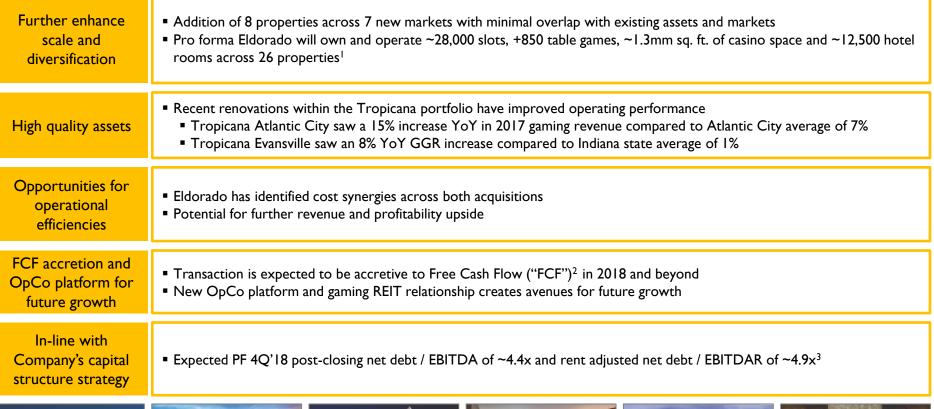


Tropicana Entertainment Acquisition	Grand Victoria Casino Acquisition	
<ul> <li>7 High-quality assets in attractive markets</li> <li>Tropicana Atlantic City, New Jersey</li> <li>Tropicana Evansville, Indiana</li> <li>Lumière Place, Missouri</li> <li>The Belle of Baton Rouge, Louisiana</li> <li>Montbleu (Tahoe), Nevada</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Riverboat casino located in Elgin, IL</li> <li>Premier gaming, dining and entertainment destination in Chicagoland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Eldorado to acquire the Tropicana operations (excl. Aruba) for \$640mm</li> <li>Gaming &amp; Leisure Properties, Inc. ("GLPI") to acquire the underlying real estate of six of the seven assets for ~\$1.2bn</li> <li>Eldorado will enter into a master lease agreement with GLPI at an estimated 1.8x rent coverage (annual rent: \$110mm)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eldorado to acquire the asset for \$328mm from MGM and Hyatt</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Eldorado is purchasing the Tropicana operations, adjusted for the GLPI transaction, for \$640mm in cash and will assume Tropicana's debt and cash at anticipated close in 4Q'18</li> <li>After the application of Tropicana's expected cash on hand and cash flow generated from operations, the purchase price represents a trailing twelve months EBITDA multiple of 6.6x at close</li> <li>The purchase price multiple declines below 5.0x at closing adjusted for estimated cost synergies of \$40mm</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Multiple of 9.0x 2017 EBITDA</li> <li>Synergies adjusted multiple of 6.0x or less</li> </ul>	
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1) On 2/28/18, ERI announced that the Company entered into definitive agreements to sell Presque Isle Downs & Casino and Lady Luck Casino Vicksburg for a cash consideration of \$178.9mm and \$50.6mm, respectively



# **Strategic and Financial Rationale**





) Excludes Presque Isle Downs & Casino and Lady Luck Casino Vicksburg; on 2/28/18, ERI announced that the Company entered into definitive agreements to sell Presque Isle Downs & Casino and Lady Luck Casino Vicksburg;

2) Free Cash Flow is defined as Adj. EBITDAR less rent expense less maintenance capex less interest expense

3) Assumes rent is capitalized at 8.0x

# **Timeline for Proposed Transactions**

- April 16, 2018: Tropicana Entertainment and Grand Victoria acquisition announcement
- 2Q 2018: Expected closing of Vicksburg sale (expected proceeds of \$50.6mm)

- ■2H 2018
  - Expected closing of Presque Isle sale (expected proceeds of \$178.9mm)
  - Regulatory approvals from all jurisdictions for the Tropicana Entertainment and Grand Victoria transactions
  - Acquisition and financing close for both transactions



#### **Tropicana Entertainment Overview**

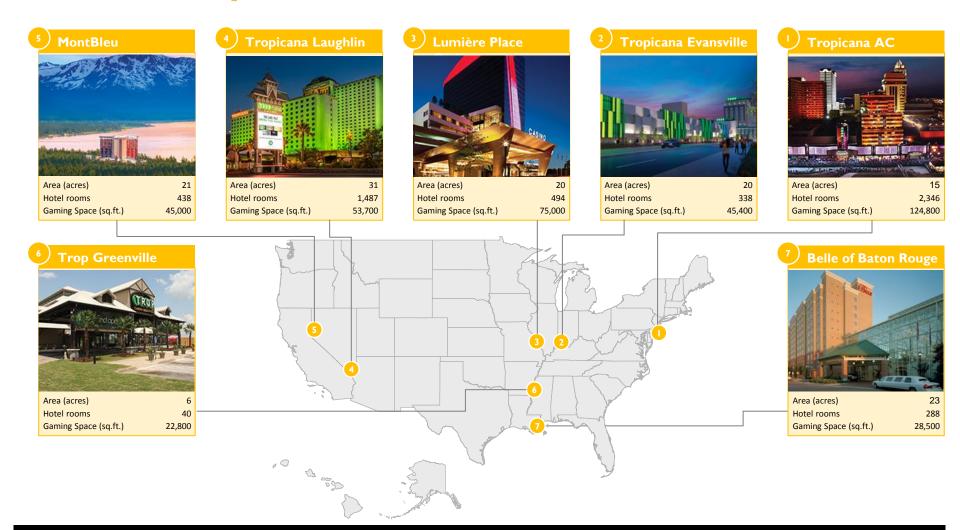
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#### Diversified regional gaming operator that has committed significant capex to its properties over the past several years

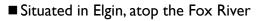


# **Grand Victoria Casino, Elgin Overview**

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- One of ten casinos in Illinois, Grand Victoria is a dockside riverboat and the third largest casino in Illinois by gaming revenue<sup>1</sup>
  - Gaming space: 29,850 sq. ft.
  - Slots: 1,088
  - Table games: 30
  - Table poker rooms: 12
- Property features four restaurants, including award-winning Buckinghams Steakhouse



### **Diversified Pro Forma Geographic Presence**

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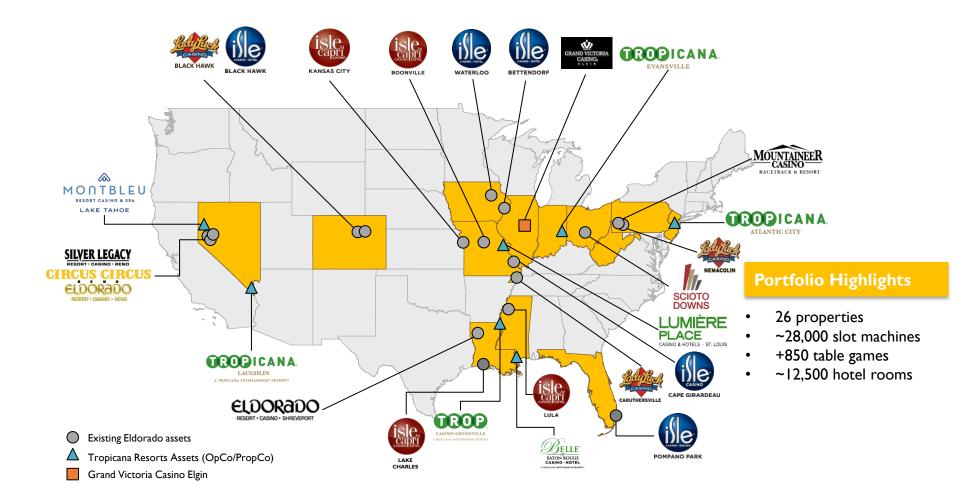
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#### **Increased Operational Scale**

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# of properties	18 properties	7 properties	l property	26 properties
# of slot machines	18,920	7,893	I,088	27,901
# of table games	549	265	42	856
# of hotel rooms	7,080	5,431	-	12,511



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# **Financial Policy**

- Balance sheet management
  - Maintain significant liquidity to operate existing properties and pursue accretive expansion opportunities
  - Limit near-term debt maturities
  - Track record of using free cash flow to reduce leverage between transactions
- Investment and expansion criteria
  - Return-focused reinvestment in existing properties to upgrade and/or refresh amenities
  - Prudent use of capital for potential opportunistic development and acquisition opportunities
    - Near-term focus will be on disposition of Vicksburg and Presque Isle and integration of Tropicana and Elgin assets
- Free cash flow and leverage
  - Cash from operations used for leverage reduction, accretive investments
  - Disciplined maintenance and investment capital spending
  - Maintain leverage below 5x





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High quality gaming assets

**Geographic diversification in attractive markets** 

**Strong financial portfolio** 

**Disciplined acquisition and strategic capex** 

Track record of margin growth across legacy and acquired assets



# Tropicana Property Level Details

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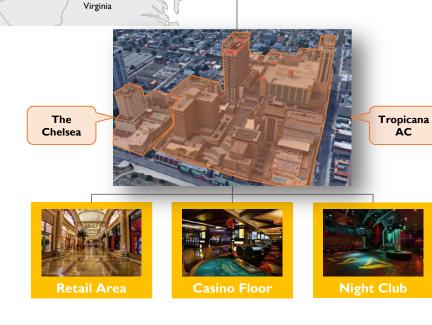




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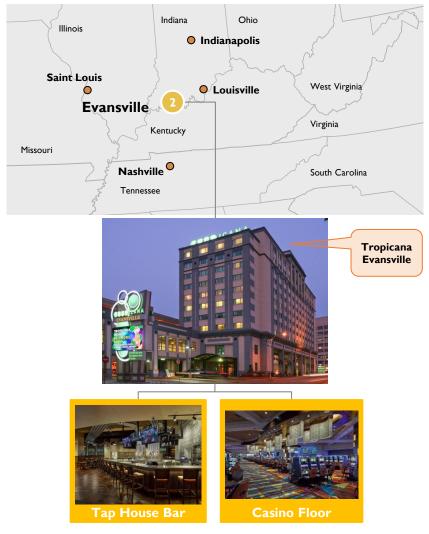
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**Tropicana AC** 

- Situated in Atlantic City, which generated \$2.7bn gaming revenues in 2017
  - Atlantic City is the 5th largest gaming market in the US
- Driving distance from New York-Washington corridor
- Tropicana AC is a leading property with:
  - Property area: 31 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 2,346 across 5 hotel towers
  - Gaming area: 124,800 sq. ft.
  - Retail space: 200,000 sq. ft.
  - Meeting and convention space: 99,000 sq. ft.
- Tropicana AC market share improved from 8% in 2013 to 15% in 2017
- Property features themed restaurants, nightclubs, shops, a 2,000-seat showroom, an up-scale Disco themed nightclub, a full service spa and salon, a health club and indoor pool, a beach and pool bar and an IMAX theatre
- In 2017, Tropicana AC acquired The Chelsea Hotel and is currently renovating it, while constructing a skywalk bridge to connect it with Tropicana AC
- Also operates 24-hour online gaming site, www.TropicanaCasino.com

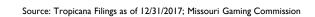


# **Tropicana Evansville**



- Situated in Evansville, the third largest city in Indiana
  - Only full service casino within 85-mile radius
  - 57% of revenues from 50-mile radius
- Indiana is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest gaming market in the US with \$2.1bn in 2017 casino gaming revenue
  - No additional gaming / racing licenses permitted by law
- Relocated from a three deck riverboat to landside gaming facility in October 2017, Tropicana Evansville has
  - Property area: 20 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 338 across 2 hotels
  - Gaming area: 45,400 sq. ft.
  - Total cost to build: \$50mm
- Property features 79,000 sq. ft. of enclosed space which includes the casino floor, two food and beverage outlets, an entertainment lounge
- The District at Tropicana Evansville, a \$33mm entertainment complex, has the Le Merigot Hotel and banquet / event space
- Tropicana Evansville also features seven-story parking garage as well as surface parking

Source: Tropicana Filings as of 12/31/2017; Indiana Gaming Commission



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Lumière Place Casino

#### Located in historic downtown St. Louis, Missouri near business and entertainment districts

- Derives significant foot traffic from The Dome at America's Center, a multi-purpose stadium
- Missouri is the 10<sup>th</sup> largest gaming market in the US with \$1.7bn in 2017 casino gaming revenue
- Lumière Place Casino property features:
  - Property area: 20 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 494 across 2 hotels
  - Gaming area: 7,500 sq. ft.
  - Meeting and convention space: 28,000 sq. ft.
- Property includes the HoteLumière and Four Season's St. Louis featuring 3 full service restaurants, retail shops, indoor pool and fitness center and a full service spa
- The suites in HoteLumière were completely renovated in a project which commenced in July 2016 and was completed in early 2017, at a cost of \$15mm



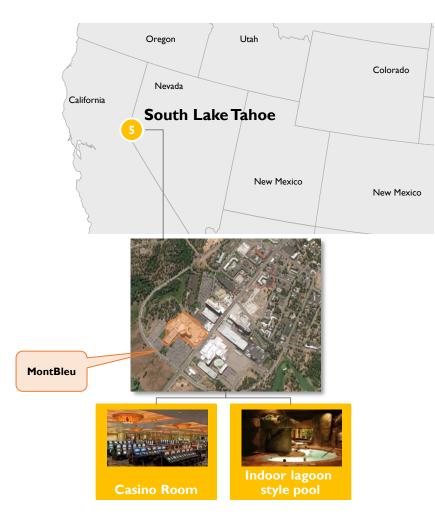
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# **Tropicana Laughlin**



- Situated on Laughlin's principal thoroughfare
  - Opportunity to expand on 57 acres of undeveloped real estate adjacent to Tropicana Laughlin
- Laughlin is one of the largest regional gaming markets with \$493mm in 2017 casino gaming revenue
  - Laughlin experienced 4.1% growth in gaming revenue in 2017 compared to a state average of 2.8%
- Tropicana Laughlin property features:
  - Property area: 31 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 1,487
  - Gaming area: 53,700 sq. ft.
- Property includes a heated outdoor swimming pool, seven restaurants, three full service bars, several lounges, an 800-seat multi-purpose showroom and concert hall, meeting and convention space, retail stores, an arcade and a covered parking structure
- In 2017, 496 suites in Tropicana Laughlin were renovated at a total cost of \$47mm

### MontBleu Casino Resort & Spa



- Situated in South Lake Tahoe, Nevada surrounded by the Sierra Nevada Mountains
  - Caters to guests primarily from northern CA and NV
  - Attracts customers interested in outdoor recreational activities
- South Lake Tahoe experienced 2.4% growth in 2017 gaming revenue compared to a state average of 2.8%
- MontBleu Casino Resort & Spa property features:
  - Property area: 21 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 438
  - Gaming area: 45,000 sq. ft.
  - Meeting and convention space: 14,000 sq. ft.
- Property includes three restaurants, retail shops, two nightclubs, a 1,300-seat showroom, a parking garage, a full service health spa and workout area, an indoor heated lagoon-style pool with whirlpool and a 110-seat wedding chapel
- MontBleu underwent a \$25mm remodelling of most of its public areas in 2015

### **Trop Greenville**



- Situated in Greenville, MS; Trop Greenville is the one of two gaming facilities in the Greenville market
  - Also caters to customers from Little Rock, Vicksburg and Tunica
- Mississippi is the 8<sup>th</sup> largest gambling market in the US with \$2.1bn in 2017 casino gaming revenue
- Trop Greenville property features:
  - Property area: 6 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 40
  - Gaming area: 22,800 sq. ft.
  - Parking spaces: 734
- Property features two restaurants and a bar. The newly-renovated property offers Max & Erma's, a popular full-service casual dining restaurant chain and a two-level underground parking garage for premium players
- Trop Greenville also leases and operates the nearby Greenville Inn & Suites, located less than a mile from the Casino

# **Belle of Baton Rouge**



- Situated in downtown historic district of Baton Rouge, Louisiana
  - Next to River Center, a 70,000 sq. ft. convention center
  - 75 miles from New Orleans, the largest city in Louisiana
  - 90% of the casino's customer base is within a 50 mile radius
- Louisiana is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest gaming market in the US with \$3.1bn in 2017 casino gaming revenue
- One of three casino facilities in Baton Rouge, the casino is a dockside riverboat and features:
  - Property area: 23 acres
  - Hotel rooms: 288
  - Gaming area: 28,500 sq. ft.
  - Meeting space : 25,000 sq. ft.
- Property features an outdoor pool, a fitness center, one restaurant, a deli, a buffet and an entertainment venue