

# Press Release

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## **POKERTEK INSTALLS POKERPRO AT EXCALIBUR HOTEL AND CASINO IN LAS VEGAS**

**Matthews, NC – August 18, 2008:** PokerTek, Inc. (NASDAQ: PTEK), the industry pioneer and worldwide leader in automated poker tables and related software, is pleased to announce that Excalibur Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas is installing 12 PokerPro tables. Excalibur is both the first casino in Nevada to install automated poker tables and the official field trial site for PokerPro in the state. Pending final regulatory inspection and approval, Excalibur plans to open the new room Friday, August 22 at 6 p.m.

“We are delighted beyond words that an operator of Excalibur’s quality is opening a 100% PokerPro poker room on the strip. It is commentary on how far PokerTek and automated poker have come in such a short time,” said PokerTek’s CEO Chris Halligan. “The acceptance of the game has grown substantially in the last year and continues to grow as our footprint expands.”

“We continue to hit major milestones,” continues Halligan. “We’ve opened a successful 20-plus table room in Montreal, a beautiful 12 table room in Michigan, a high-end 12-table room in Atlantic City and now 12 tables in the gaming hub of the world, Las Vegas. With more than 230 PokerPro tables currently installed worldwide, we are ready for the Nevada market.”

“I’ve run poker rooms for 20 years, and I can’t wait for players to see what Excalibur and PokerPro will offer them,” said Vito Casucci, PokerTek’s Western Regional Director and former poker room manager. “We’re going to have a great daily tournament schedule, tremendous player promotions and, more than that, we’ll be laying down games that manual rooms just can’t. For example, our Pot Limit Omaha games will be getting out 30 hands per hour. That is unheard of for a game as popular as PLO, and only PokerPro can offer that kind of speed.”

“I am so excited that automated poker is finally going to exist in Vegas,” said professional poker player Clonie Gowen. “PokerPro is an amazing way to play the game. The speed and accuracy beats any manual table. You will find me in the Excalibur’s poker room from time to time and I challenge all poker players to try this.”

Excalibur Hotel and Casino, which opened in 1990, is a wholly owned subsidiary of MGM MIRAGE™ (NYSE: MGM). The property provides an inviting atmosphere of hospitality through a myriad of entertainment, fine food and comfortable accommodations. The resort features 3,981 guest rooms, five themed restaurants, the Tournament of Kings Dinner Show, the all-male revue Thunder From Down Under, the “Larger than Life” comedy of Louie Anderson and more than 100,000 square feet of gaming excitement. The convention area provides more than 12,000 square feet of meeting and banquet space.

**About PokerTek:**

PokerTek™, Inc. (NASDAQ: PTEK), headquartered in Matthews, NC, develops and markets PokerPro automated poker tables and related software applications developed to increase casino revenue and attract new players into poker rooms. PokerTek entered the amusement space by introducing Heads-Up Challenge™, a heads-up poker table for bars and restaurants that targets adults who play for amusement only. PokerPro tables are located in the United States, Canada, Panama, Germany, Bulgaria, Australia, South Africa and several major cruise lines. For more information, please visit the company's website at [www.pokertek.com](http://www.pokertek.com) or contact Tracy Egan at 704.849.0860 x106.

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