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Thousands of casino jobs available

CCC sponsoring job fair for veterans on Thursday

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ATLANTIC CITY - As summer approaches, Atlantic City's casinos are looking to hire more than 7,000 employees for full-time, part-time, seasonal and other jobs, according to a recent survey by the Casino Control Commission.

"The projected opening of two casino hotels has created a lot of opportunities for people looking to find jobs," said James T. Plousis, chairman of the New Jersey Casino Control Commission. "My staff and I contacted each of our casinos and proposed casinos to find out just how many openings there are," he added.

"We want to make certain area residents are aware of the job opportunities and, in particular, we want to make sure that our friends and neighbors who have served our country in the armed forces know that jobs are available," the commission chairman said. The commission is co-sponsoring a job fair at its offices on Thursday to help veterans obtain jobs in the casino industry.

The casinos indicated that they have a significant number of openings for full-time positions as well as seasonal openings as casinos staff up for the busy summer season. There are many part-time positions available as well as a variety of other positions.

Plousis noted that any time a new casino hotel opens it creates new jobs for people in the community. Some of those positions are filled

by people moving from existing casinos which means that those properties have to find new employees, Plousis added. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City and Ocean Resort Casino both plan on opening this summer and are staffing up to fill several thousand positions there. Both properties need to get licensed by the commission before they can open. The commission is awaiting results of licensing investigations by the Division of Gaming Enforcement before it schedules hearings on the license applications. Opening of the casinos is contingent on finding they meet the state's strict licensing requirements.

Plousis noted that representatives of each Atlantic City casino – including the two casinos expected to open soon – will be at the job fair Thursday. "In addition, there will be people from the Veterans' Administration as well as various state agencies and area schools to provide additional assistance to job seekers," Plousis said.

Thursday's job fair will be held from 9 am to 3 pm at the commission's offices at 1325 Boardwalk. Anyone interested in attending can pre-register on the casino commission's website at www.njccc.gov/vets.