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PRIZE PACKAGE ID	CONTENTS OF PRIZE PACKAGE
PKG-001	15 COINS AFTER COMPLETING 50 MORE SPINS
PKG-002	20 COINS IMMEDIATELY, AND 10 COINS EVERY 50 SPINS, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 30 COINS (3 SUB-PORTIONS)
PKG-003	3 COINS AS A CONSOLATION PRIZE FOR NEXT 4 LOSSES
PKG-004	7 COINS IMMEDIATELY, AND 3 COINS AS A CONSOLATION PRIZE FOR NEXT 4 LOSSES
PKG-005	5 COINS EVERY MINUTE FOR NEXT 5 MINUTES (25 COINS TOTAL)
PKG-006	30 COINS AT THE END OF THE HOUR (E.G., AT 3:00PM)
PKG-007	1 COIN FOR EVERY COIN DEPOSITED INTO THE GAME MACHINE DURING THE NEXT 10 MINUTES (MAX OF 20 COINS AWARDED)
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PKG-00N	6 COINS IMMEDIATELY, AND 2 COINS FOR EVERY 20 COINS WAGERED ON THE GAME MACHINE, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 18 COINS AWARDED (9 SUB-PORTIONS)

FIG. 6

(57) Abstract: A gaming device incentivizes additional game play by combining payouts with conditional payouts. During game play, players are informed of the conditions, which must be satisfied so as to vest the conditional payouts. Subsequent game play is monitored to see if the player has satisfied the conditions. If the player has satisfied the conditions, then the conditional payout vests. If the condition is not met, then the conditional payout terminates.

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