

Beacon Compassion, Inc.

MRN282271

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Beacon Compassion, Inc.
d/b/a HiFive
366 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA 02740

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation) and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 4/Indoor (20,001 – 30,001 sq. ft.)	Provisional License	Attleboro
Product Manufacturing	Provisional License	Attleboro
Retail	Application Submitted	Boston
MTC	Application Submitted	Attleboro-Boston
MTC	Provisional License	Attleboro-Framingham
MTC	Provisional License	Attleboro-New Bedford

4. List of all required individuals and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Benton Bodamer	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Chad Wise	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

5. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

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Entity	Role
BCR Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor

6. Applicant's priority status:

MTC Priority

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on September 18, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on August 31, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the City/Town of New Bedford on December 10, 2021. The Commission did not receive a response within 60 days pursuant to 935 CMR 500.102(1)(d).
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Provide at least two (2) Social Equity Program participants or Economic Empowerment applicants with guidance and advice relating to the development and operation of Marijuana Establishments.
2	Hire at least twenty-five percent (25% of its employees from target areas near each location, specifically Worcester, Mansfield, Taunton, New Bedford and census tracts in the City of Boston.
3	Provide educational seminars, that will include information on licensing workshops, preparing standard operating policies and procedures and a Massachusetts market overview, at least two (2) times per year.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

11. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within nine (9) months of receiving the provisional license(s).



14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

15. The applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit at least 50% women, 25% minorities, 10% LGBTQ+, 5% Persons with Disabilities, and 5% Veterans for its hiring initiatives.
2	Engage at least one (1) disadvantaged business enterprise (minority, woman, or veteran-owned) in connection with the operation of its facilities.
3	Require one hundred percent (100%) participation in its diversity and sensitivity training programs.

17. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses. If the need arises, the applicant will obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishments.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
3. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.
5. Prior to performing job functions, all provisional licensees shall ensure that all current Marijuana Establishment, Medical Treatment Center, and Independent Testing Laboratory Agents involved in the handling or sale of Marijuana for adult and medical use shall have attended and successfully completed the Basic Core Curriculum of the Responsible Vendor Training Program to be designated a "Responsible Vendor" and provide a "certificate of completion" to the Commission upon request. In addition, all newly hired employees involved in the handling or sale of marijuana or marijuana products must also successfully complete the Basic Core Curriculum of the Responsible Vendor Training Program within 90 days of hire, in compliance with 935 CMR 500.105(2) or 935 CMR 501.105(2).



The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.

