

## Beacon Compassion, Inc.

MRN284694

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Beacon Compassion, Inc.  
d/b/a Up Top  
315 Worcester Road, Framingham, MA 01701

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
Retail	Provisional License	Boston
Retail	Provisional License	New Bedford
Cultivation, Tier / Indoor (20,001 – 30,000 sq.ft.)	Provisional License	Attleboro
Product Manufacturing	Provisional License	Attleboro
MTC	Provisional License	Attleboro-Boston
MTC	Commence Operations	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

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

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

- Applicant's priority status:

MTC Priority

- The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on May 19, 2022.
- The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on June 20, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Framingham on August 5, 2022 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
- 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	Recruit at least 25% of its workforce from target areas, specifically Worcester and Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions for its hiring initiatives.
3	Provide educational seminars at least two (2) times per year.

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

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

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

- The applicant states that it can be operational within ten (10) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

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Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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 women (50%); minorities (35%); LGBTQ+ (10%); persons with disabilities (5%); and veterans (5%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Engage with at least one (1) disadvantaged business enterprise (minority, woman, veteran owned business) in connection with the operation of its facilities.

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

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses.

**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.

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.

