

## **SAMA Productions, LLC**

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### **APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

SAMA Productions, LLC  
42 South Main Street, Sandisfield, MA 01255

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

Cultivation, Tier 4/Indoor (20,001 – 30,000 sq. ft.)  
Product Manufacturing

The application was reopened four (4) times for additional information.

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

The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

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

<b>Individual</b>	<b>Role</b>
John Heck	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
George Heck	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
Jerad Lauzier	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
David Ross	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor

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



No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this proposed Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on May 17, 2021.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on July 1, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Sandisfield on January 14, 2021 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Donate an annual amount equal to one-half of one percent of its net profits to Kid's Place and 18 degrees.
2	Provide at least one (1) internship per calendar year to a qualifying Berkshire Community College students interested in cannabis cultivation, greenhouse operations and plant sciences.
3	Recruit at least 50% of its workforce from Areas of Disproportionate impact, specifically, Pittsfield.

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
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 18 months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:



Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Friday	6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	Closed

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 50% women, 10% LGBTQ, 10% veterans, 10% minorities, and 10% persons with disabilities for its hiring initiatives.
2	Contract with 50% woman, 10% LGBTQ, 10% veteran, 10% minority, and 10% persons with disabilities owned contractors.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

#	Product
1	Shatter
2	Wax
3	Sauce and Diamonds
4	Distillate
5	Rosin
6	Dry Hash
7	Ice Water Hash

## **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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, with a detailed list of all proposed products to be produced with specific information as to types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors.



4. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
5. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
6. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.
7. 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).
8. Final license is subject to the applicant notifying the Commission with any additional information regarding its "Additional Operational Plans for Indoor & Outdoor Marijuana Cultivators and Marijuana Product Manufacturers" as it relates to Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120 (14).
9. Prior to performing job functions at the marijuana establishment, all paid interns as stated in Goal number two (2) of the establishments Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People must become Registered Agents in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and provide Agent Registration Card to the Commission upon request, pursuant to 935 CMR 500.030.
10. Final license is subject to the applicant verifying the internship program is targeted to individuals over the age of 21.
11. Final license is subject to the applicant reviewing their diversity hiring goals and projected number of employees and provide any updates to the Commission.

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.

