

The Dutchmen, LLC

MCN283622

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

The Dutchmen, LLC 833 Main Street, Southbridge, MA 01550

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

Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor (10,001 - 20,000 sq. ft.)

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):

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:

Individual	Role
Jose Cano-Valdez	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Daniela Stringa	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

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- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on July 12, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on September 9, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Southbridge on January 12, 2022 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	Hire at a minimum 25% of Massachusetts residents (preferably with residence
	in the Town of Southbridge) who have marijuana convictions or who have
	parents or spouses who have past marijuana convictions but are eligible to
	work as a Marijuana Establishment Agent.
2	Host and participate in events that will support the Town of Southbridge,
	specifically charity donations, and volunteering at the Southbridge Food
	Pantry. The Dutchmen have committed to volunteering on the 2nd Tuesday of
	the Month for 2-3 hours in the morning to help unload food.
3	Provide twelve (12) employment opportunities within the first two (2) years
	of opening and promote as many of its employees internally to ensure careers
	are being made in Southbridge and for the industry.

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 two (2) years of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	7:00 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 15% women; 40% minorities; 20% veterans; 15% LGBTQ+; and 10%
	individuals with disabilities.
2	Ensure all participants in its supply chain and ancillary services are committed to
	the same goals of promoting equity and diversity in the adult-use marijuana
	industry with a goal of having at least 25% of business in its supply chain and
	ancillary services owned and/or managed by minority groups, women, veterans,
	people with disabilities and/or LGBTQ+ individuals.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

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

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).
- 6. Final license is subject to the applicant identifying and informing the Commission of the establishments "Additional Operational Plans for Indoor & Outdoor Marijuana Cultivators" as it relates to Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120 (14), whereas a Marijuana Cultivator may provide a Quality Control Sample of Marijuana flower to its employees for the purpose of ensuring product quality and determining whether to

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make the product available to sell. All Quality Control Samples provided by a Marijuana Cultivator under 935 CMR 500.120(14) shall be assigned a unique, sequential alphanumeric identifier and entered into the Seed-to-sale SOR in a form and manner to be determined by the Commission, and further, shall be designated as "Quality Control Sample."

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.