

June Monthly Public Meeting

Remote Via Teams

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- Hire 30% or more women, 30% or more veterans, 20% minorities, 10% persons with disabilities, 10% LGBTQ+.
- 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.





Charles River Remedies, LLC

MRN283511

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Charles River Remedies, LLC d/b/a Yamba Boutique 31 Church Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

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 once (1) 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with a retail license under the name of Home Grown 617, LLC and Pre-Certification under the name of 612 Studios, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Leah Samura	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Sean Hope	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Binoj Pradhan	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Scott Zink	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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



Entity	Role	
Charles River Remedies, LLC	Capital Contributor	

6. Applicant's priority status:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant Leah Samura / 51% Ownership / EE202148

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 16, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 23, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 25, 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:

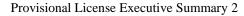
#	Goal
1	Hire 10-20 individuals from Commission designated disproportionately
	impacted areas and individuals.
2	Provide \$5,000 to one or more Economic Empowerment and Social Equity
	applicants.
3	Provide peer support and mentoring for one or more Economic Empowerment
	and/or Social Equity applicants.

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within four (4) 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 11:00 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	Hire 60% women, 40% minorities, 30% veterans, 10% persons with disabilities,
	10% LGBTQ+.
2	Conduct surveys which discuss diversity issues once a year or provide an online
	forum for diversity issues.

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

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Cypress Tree Management Fenway, Inc.

MRN284186

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Cypress Tree Management Fenway, Inc. 1112 – 1116 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02215

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 one (1) time for additional information.

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

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with a retail license, Cypress Tree Management, Inc. and a retail application, Cypress Tree Management Natick d/b/a Redi.

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

Individual	Role
Victor Chiang	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Todd Finard	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Eric Liebman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Carlos Castillo	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Cypress Tree Investment Group, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:



General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 2, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 15, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Boston on May 11, 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	Create a cannabis mentorship program for Economic Empowerment
	applicants and Social Equity applicants seeking help entering the cannabis
	industry.
2	Attract and hire local qualified talent from areas of disproportionate impact in Roxbury, Mattapan, and/or other identified areas of disproportionate impact in Boston or individuals who have been disproportionately harmed by marijuana prohibition including those with past drug convictions with a goal of having a workforce comprised of at least 15% of individuals who meet this standard.
3	Make an annual contribution of at least \$5,000 to the CultivatED program which will in turn support the mission of empowering, educating, and employing individuals from various areas of disproportionate impact.

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within a year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:



Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 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 diverse employees at all levels. Cypress Tree Management will assess
	the demographic percentages of its workforce annually to see if it is meeting its
	goal of recruiting diverse employees with a goal of having a workforce that
	consists of 50% women, 30% minorities, 10% veterans, 10% LGBTQ+
	individuals, and 5% individuals with disabilities.
2	Ensure that all participants in our 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 our supply
	chain and ancillary services owned and/or managed by minority groups, women,
	veterans, people with disabilities and/or LGBTQ+ individuals.

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

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. 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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





DayDreamz Estates, LLC

MCN283415 MCN283417 MPN282050

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

DayDreamz Estates, LLC 68 Sandisfield Road, 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 1/Indoor (up to 5,000 sq. ft.) Cultivation, Tier 3/Outdoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.) Product Manufacturing

The applications were reopened one (1) time 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
Phillip-Michael Blume	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 (MCN283415 and MPN282050)

Expedited Applicant (License Type) (MCN283417)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 8, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 22, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Sandisfield on May 5, 2021 (MCN283415), May 12, 2021 (MPN282050) and May 20, 2021 (MCN283417) 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 a total of \$2,500 annually to New England Veterans Alliance to
	enhance its ability to cultivate veterans through alternative therapeutic
	programs.
2	Donate \$1,000 annually to the establishment's Cannabis Expungement
	Program to provide financial assistance for legal/filing fees for one (1)
	individual from an area of disproportionate impact.

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational 8-10 months for its indoor cultivation operations and 2-3 months for its outdoor cultivation and product manufacturing operations 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 5:00 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% of its staff that is comprised of women.

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	Flower (Indica, Sativa, High CBD varieties in the form of loose flower and pre-
	rolls)
2	Bubble Hash
3	Distillates
4	Cartridges
5	Live Resin
6	Rosin
7	Milk Chocolate Bars
8	Fruit Chews (Sour Apple, Cherry, Pineapple Habanero, Kiwi-Strawberry, and
	Watermelon Lemonade)

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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. 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.





Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers

MCN283486

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers 7 River Rd, Whately, MA 01093

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

Cultivation, Tier 1/Indoor (up to 5,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened one (1) time for additional information.

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

Туре	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 10/Outdoor	Provisional License	Whatley
(80,001 – 90,000 sq. ft.)		
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Whatley
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Agawam
MTC	Provisional License	Whately-Agawam

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

Individual	Role
Grant Guelich	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
David Goldblum	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Bradley Joseph	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Adam Firsel	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Samuel Hanmer	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jared Glanz-Berger	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
John Hanmer	Close Associate



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

Entity	Role
Englewood Managements, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jin Yan MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
MidCO CHY MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JointCO, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JointCO JGB, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield Investments, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Shine Yingala Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
22 Squared Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield Management, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JintCo Management Company, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

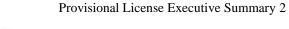
MTC Priority

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on July 15, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 4, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Whatley on May 26, 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	Recruit 25% of its staff who are past or present residents of Greenfield and/or
	other ADI for its hiring initiatives.

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 seven (7) 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	6:00 a.m. to 6:00 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 35% minorities, 35% women, 35% veterans, and 35% people with	
	disabilities for its hiring initiatives.	

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment CentersMPN282046

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers 578-582 Meadow Street Extension, Agawam, MA 01001

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

Product Manufacturing

The application was reopened one (1) time 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 10/Outdoor	Provisional License	Whatley
(80,001 – 90,000 sq. ft.)		
Cultivation, Tier 1/Indoor	Application Submitted	Whatley
(up to 5,000 sq. ft.)		
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Whatley
MTC	Provisional License	Whatley-Agawam

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

Individual	Role
Grant Guelich	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
David Goldblum	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Bradley Joseph	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Adam Firsel	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Samuel Hanmer	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jared Glanz-Berger	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control



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John Hanmer	Close Associate

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

Entity	Role
Englewood Managements, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jin Yan MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
MidCO CHY MA, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JointCO, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JointCO JGB, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield Investments, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Shine Yingala Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
22 Squared Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Core High Yield Management, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
JointCO Manager, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

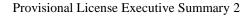
MTC Priority

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 28, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 12, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Agawam on April 30, 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	Recruit 25% of its staff who are past or present residents of Greenfield and/or
	other ADI for its hiring initiatives.

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 one (1) month of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation	
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 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 35% minorities, 35% women, 35% veterans, and 35% people with
	disabilities for its hiring initiatives.

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

#	Product
1	Packaged Flower
2	Packaged Pre-Roll Material
3	Pre-Roll Cones
4	Solventless Hash Oil
5	Butane Hash Oil
6	Ethanol Hash Oil
7	Distillate
8	Distillate Blended BHO Cartridges
9	Infused Pre-Rolls

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.



Green River Cannabis Company, Inc.

MRN283094

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1.	Name an	nd address	of the	proposed	Mariiuana	Establishment

Green River Cannabis Company, Inc. 54 Mellen Street, Unit A, Hopedale, MA 01747

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 three (3) 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	Greenfield
Retail	Application Submitted	Attleboro

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

Individual	Role	
Constant Poholek	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control	
Angela Consigli	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 February 19, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on May 20, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the municipality of Hopedale on April 2, 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 employment opportunities for qualified residents of Taunton with a
	goal of hiring at least 5% of staff from past and current residents of Taunton.
2	Promote inclusion of residents of Taunton in the legal cannabis industry who
	have been negatively harmed by cannabis prohibition by assisting with
	expunging their criminal records.
3	Provide mentoring, professional and technical education for individuals in
	Taunton, facing systemic barriers, by hosting quarterly educational seminars.

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Thursday	9:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday	9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 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	Ensure at least 30% or greater of its staff are comprised of diverse individuals.
2	Increase the number of qualified diverse individuals in management with a goal
	of up to 20% or more to be qualified for management positions with additional
	on the job training to promote their interests and career.
3	Establish a comfortable and equitable work environment that supports and
	fosters diversity and equity in the workplace through annual workplace trainings
	and continuous employee feedback.
4	Increase the number of diverse vendors from the above diverse groups as the
	business develops and grows.

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

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Green River Cannabis Company, Inc.

MRN283093

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1.	Name an	nd address	of the	proposed	Mariiuana	Establishment

Green River Cannabis Company, Inc. 1815 County Street, Attleboro, MA 02703

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 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):

Type	Status	Location
Retail	Provisional License	Greenfield
Retail	Application Submitted	Hopedale

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

Individual	Role
Constant Poholek	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Ernest Poholek	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 August 30, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 7, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Attleboro on May 4, 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	Provide employment opportunities for qualified residents of Taunton with a
	goal of hiring at least 5% of staff from past and current residents of Taunton.
2	Promote inclusion of residents of Taunton in the legal cannabis industry who
	have been negatively harmed by cannabis prohibition by assisting with
	expunging their criminal records.
3	Provide mentoring, professional and technical education for individuals in
	Taunton, facing systemic barriers, by hosting quarterly educational seminars.

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Thursday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 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	Ensure at least 30% or greater of its staff are comprised of diverse individuals.
2	Increase the number of qualified diverse individuals in management with a goal
	of up to 20% or more to be qualified for management positions with additional
	on the job training to promote their interests and career.
3	Establish a comfortable and equitable work environment that supports and
	fosters diversity and equity in the workplace through annual workplace trainings
	and continuous employee feedback.
4	Increase the number of diverse vendors from the above diverse groups as the
	business develops and grows.

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

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Green Valley Analytics, LLC

ILN281359

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Green Valley Analytics, LLC 306 Race St, Holyoke, MA 01040

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

Independent Testing Laboratory

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
Jonathan Ferguson	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Mark Zatyrka	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:

Expedited Applicant (License Type)



- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 9, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on April 5, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Holyoke on April 30, 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 at least \$5,000 to Holyoke Community College's Cannabis Center of
	Excellence program annually.
2	Commit at least one (1) day per quarter to help the local neighborhoods by
	participating in and organizing a community cleanup.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

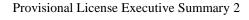
- 11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
- 12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within five (5) 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	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 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
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1	Partner with at least 25% of vendors that are comprised of minorities, veterans,
	women, LGBTQ and individuals with disabilities.
2	Recruit at least 55% women, 40% minorities, 25% veterans, 10% people with
	disabilities and 10% individuals who identify as LGBTQ for its hiring initiatives
3	Develop female leadership from within the company and increase the number of
	female managers by at least 50% year over year.

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 ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Greenbridge Technologies, LLC

MCN283420 MPN282054

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Greenbridge Technologies, LLC 18 Progress Avenue, Tyngsborough, MA 01879

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.) Product Manufacturing

The applications were reopened twice (2) 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
Darryl Wickens	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Jeanne Wickens	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Natalie Wickens	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Brian Wickens	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Joshua Wickens	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

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 8, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 1, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 3, 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	Hire at least 25% of its employees from Target Areas (Lowell), and/or
	Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past
	drug convictions.
2	Provide educational programs and informational sessions geared towards
	individuals from the Target Area (Lowell) and/or Massachusetts Residents
	who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions that are
	interested in the cannabis 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. 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 12 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	Open 24 Hours

- 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	The Company shall seek parity in its work force based on the American	
	Community Survey (ACS) 2010 U.S. Census. Workforce availability statistics	
	for the Total Civilian Labor Force in Massachusetts is as follows: Women 49.29	
	and Minorities 25.2%.	
2	Ensure that one hundred percent (100%) of its employees receive training on	
	diversity and sensitivity.	

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

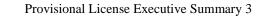
The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

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

#	Product
1	Dark and milk chocolate bars
2	Cube gummies and lozenges: pomegranate, watermelon, raspberry, blueberry,
	mango and tangerine
3	Topicals
4	Lotions
5	Salves
6	Oils
7	Sprays
8	Waxes
9	Vape Oil
10	Tinctures
11	Keif
12	Pre-rolled Cannabis Joints

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.





H & H Cultivation, LLC

MCN283335 MPN282022

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

H & H Cultivation, LLC d/b/a Terra Vita Cannabis 42-48 Main Street, Holyoke, MA 01040

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.) Product Manufacturing

The applications were reopened one (1) time 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
Yazan Haddad	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Oliver Homberg	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 October 27, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 24, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Holyoke on April 13, 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:

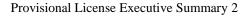
#	Goal	
1	Donate a total of \$2,500.00 to New England Veterans Alliance annually to	
	enhance its ability to cultivate veterans through alternative therapeutic	
	programs.	
2	Commit \$2,500 to its Expungement Program that will provide financial	
	assistance for legal/filing fees for up to five (5) individuals from areas of	
	disproportionate impact.	

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.

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday	7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 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 25% of its staff that are Latinx and at least 25% women.

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	Flower (Indica, Sativa, High CBD varieties in the form of loose flower and pre-	
	rolls)	
2	Bubble Hash	
3	Rosin	
4	Milk Chocolate Bars	
5	Fruit Chews (Sour Apple, Sherry, Pineapple Habanero, Kiwi-Strawberry and	
	Watermelon-Lemonade)	

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.





High Dune Craft Cooperative, LLC

CON281297

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

High Dune Craft Cooperative, LLC

Location Address 1: 21-23 Old Bridge Road parcel #050-202 and #050-232-000, Truro, MA 02666

Location Address 2: 6 Pomps Lot Road, Lot #46-238 and #43-113, Truro, MA 02666

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

Craft Marijuana Cooperative

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
David Krieger-DeWitt	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Stephanie Rein	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Debra Hopkins	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Peter Staaterman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Craig Milan	Close Associate
Paul Mydelski	Close Associate



Arthur Bosworth	Close Associate/Capital Contributor
Dilys Staaterman	Close Associate
Peter Daigle	Close Associate

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

Entity	Role
Pure Joy, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Outer Cape Cannabis Connection, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Out There Grown, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Longnook Artisan Growers, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (License Type/Woman-Owned Business/Minority-Owned Business/Veteran-Owned Business)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on August 27, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 17, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Truro on May 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	Recruit at least two (2) individuals who have past drug convictions and one	
	(1) individual who has a parent or spouse with a drug conviction.	
2	Develop, advertise, and present an agriculturally focused seminar.	

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.



- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within two (2) 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	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 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, hire, and retain a diverse workforce and is committed to ensuring that at		
	least 45% of its employees are women, minorities, veterans, people with		
	disabilities, and individuals from the LGBTQ+ community.		
2	Provide diversity training for all new hires and ongoing training for existing		
	employees at least once per year.		
3	Support the careers of women, minorities, veterans, people with disabilities, and		
	individuals from the LGBTQ + community by encouraging diverse applicants to		
	apply for management positions and considering existing employees for		
	promotions and managerial roles.		

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

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

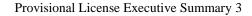
18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

#	Product
1	Flower (Indica, Sativa, and Hybrid)

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.

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.



Hydro Flower, LLC

MCN283450 MPN282060

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1.	Name and	address	of the	proposed	Marijuana	a Establishment

Hydro Flower, LLC 36 Canal Street, Montague, MA 01376

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

Cultivation, Tier 5/Indoor (30,001 – 40,000 sq. ft.) Product Manufacturing

The application was reopened one (1) time 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	
Ryan Ward	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



- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 29, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 23, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Montague on May 4, 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	Provide, at a minimum, of 12 expungement filings per year.	
2	Give hiring consideration to at least 50% of individuals or their spouses or the	
	direct descendants of such individuals who have obtained expungement	
	services through Goal 1.	

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 one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 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 10% minorities, 30% women, and 10% veterans for its hiring initiatives.





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	Flower

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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.



KCCS, LLC

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

KCCS, LLC 26 Strong Avenue, Northampton, MA 01060

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 three (3) 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	
Kenisha Allum	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /	
	Capital Contributor	
Charles Crapps	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control	
Thomas Little	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control	
Jason Snodgrass	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:



Expedited Applicant (Minority-Owned Business)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 17, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 28, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Northampton on April 30, 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	Recruit 15% of its staff who are Massachusetts residents that have had past	
	drug convictions or that reside in communities disproportionately impacted	
	by the war on drugs.	
2	Provide a low-interest loan in the amount of \$5,000 or funding through an	
	investment vehicle most appropriate to the applicant's business	
	circumstances.	

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 three (3) 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	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 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	Provide training to leadership staff through knowledge of the regulations,
	identifying unconscious bias, guidelines for self-monitoring and awareness of
	individual acts, awareness of program performance and continuous
	improvement, and also integration of these lessons with our workforce.
2	Recruit 33% minorities for its hiring initiatives.

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

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its future 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.





KG Collective, LLC

MRN284181

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

KG Collective, LLC 701-738B Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

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	Application	Boston

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with a Retail application under the name of KG Collective Brockton and a Pre-Certification under the name of KG Collective Delivery, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Michael Pires	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Marcus Johnson-Smith	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:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant (Michael Pires, 67% Ownership and Marcus Johnson-Smith, 33% Ownership/ EE201965)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 10, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 8, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Cambridge on May 11, 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	Provide jobs in the legal cannabis industry to individuals and communities
	that have been disproportionately harmed by marijuana prohibition.
2	Provide 50 hours of free, industry-specific, training and educational seminars
	to individuals who meet the criteria outlined in its Plan Population.
3	Provide financial resources to social service programs and/or organizations
	that provide services to populations that have been disproportionately harmed
	by marijuana prohibition.

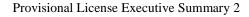
BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

- 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 four (4) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sudnay	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 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 50% women, 60% minorities, 5% veterans, 5% people with disabilities
	and 5% individuals who identify as LGBTQ+ for its hiring initiative.
2	Provide 20 hours of free, industry-specific, training and educational seminars to
	individuals who meet the criteria outlined in its Plan Population.

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

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.





Life Essence, Inc.

MRN283110

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Life Essence, Inc. d/b/a Trulieve 85 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 once (1) for additional information.

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

Туре	Status	Location
Retail	Commence Operations	Northampton
Cultivation, Tier 9/Indoor (70,001	Provisional License	Holyoke
-80,000 sq. ft.		
Product Manufacturing	Provisional License	Holyoke
MTC	Commence Operations	Holyoke-Northampton
MTC	Provisional License	Holyoke-Holyoke
MTC	Provisional License	Holyoke-Cambridge

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

Individual	Role
Kimberly Rivers	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Raymond Eric Powers	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Thad Beshears	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
George Hackney	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control



Michael O'Donnell	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Richard May	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Peter Healy	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Susan Thronson	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Thomas Milner	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Trulieve Cannabis Corp.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on January 20, 2021
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 12, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 10, 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	Build a workforce in Framingham comprising 30% Impacted Individuals in
	non-executive positions.
2	Through its partnership with the CultivatED Program, in which \$25,000 has
	already been donated by the establishment, the establishment will be hiring a
	Roxbury Community College student (who will be aged 21 or older) for an 8-
	week rotational internship program

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

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 p.m. to 8:00 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	Hire 20-25% Women; 10-15% Minorities; 5-10% Veterans; 5-10% People with
	disabilities; and 5-10% People who identify as LGBTQ+

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





M3 Ventures, Inc.

MCN283354

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

M3 Ventures, Inc. d/b/a Triple M 9 Collins Ave, Plymouth, MA 02360

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

Cultivation, Tier 1/Outdoor (up to 5,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened twice (2) 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 2/Indoor (5,001	Commence Operations	Plymouth
– 10,000 sq. ft.)		
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Plymouth
Retail	Commence Operations	Plymouth
Retail	Final License	Mashpee
MTC	Commence Operations	Plymouth-Mashpee
MTC	Commence Operations	Plymouth-Plymouth

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

Individual	Role
Krista Lianne Ankner	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jonathan Herlihy	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Kevin O'Reilly	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Keith Tibbetts	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control



Elizabeth Nowlan	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Alicia Wyman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Vincent Villalpando	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Brian Higgins	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Michael Kinnealey	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Renee Pannoni	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
John Thomas	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Triple M Management Company, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
John V. Thomas Revocable Trust	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

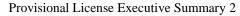
Expedited Review (License Type)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on April 24, 2018.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 10, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the municipality on April 2, 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	During each Calendar Year, 10% of M3's employed staff will be residents of
	Wareham, Abington, Braintree, Brockton and Taunton.
2	Donate \$15,000 to the Wareham Area Committee for the Homeless Turning
	Point Program (supporting homeless individuals in Wareham and the
	surrounding area).
3	Donate \$15,000 to the Evergreen House (a sober home providing support to
	individuals in Wareham and the surrounding area).

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 2 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	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	Hire 40% women; 20% persons of color; 10% veterans; 10% persons with	
	disabilities; 10% LGBTQ+	
2	Promote 25% of its individuals it hires in the Equity Pool.	

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. 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.		
Provisional License Executive Summary 4		



Northampton Labs, LLC

ILN281313

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Northampton Labs, LLC 320 Riverside Dr., Building 7 First Floor, Northampton, MA 01062

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

Independent Testing Laboratory

The application was reopened twice (2) 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
Robin Goldstein	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Barry Goldstein	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Susan Stubbs	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:

Expedited Applicant (License Type)



- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on September 4, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on August 9, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 7, 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	Support at least one applicant for licensure or entrepreneur with direct access
	to professional consulting services who is from an area of disproportionate
	impact (Holyoke, Greenfield, Pittsfield, ADIs in Springfield, or Worcester,
	Walpole, Taunton, Mansfield) or disproportionately harmed individuals.

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 eight (8) 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	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 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	Hire 50% Minorities; 60% Women; 25% LGBTQ+; 20% Veterans; 20% Persons
	with Disabilities

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 ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Richards Flowers, LLC

MBN282225

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Richards Flowers, LLC 296 Irving Street, Framingham, MA 01702

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

Microbusiness (Cultivation and Product Manufacturing Operations)

The application was reopened one (1) time 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
Alan Silverman	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:

Expedited Applicant (License Type)



- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 21, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 4, 2021. and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the municipality of Framingham on March 12, 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	Donate a total of \$2,500 to New England Veterans Alliance to enhance its
	ability to cultivate veterans through alternative therapeutic programs.
2	Commit \$1,000 per calendar year to its Cannabis Expungement Program that
	will provide financial assistance for legal/filing fees for one individual from
	an area of disproportionate impact attempting to expunge cannabis criminal
	charges from their record.

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 three (3) 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	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 at least 25% of its staffing needs from people of color, 25% Hispanic,
	Latinx, and Indigenous individuals, 25% women and 25% veterans for its hiring
	initiatives.

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	Flower (Indica, Sativa, Hybrid, varieties in the form of loose flower and pre-
	rolls)
2	Kief

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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Royalty Group, LLC

MCN283240

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Royalty Group, LLC d/b/a Tree Star 5 Middlesex Rd., Tyngsborough, MA 01879

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 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):

Туре	Status	Location
Retail	Provisional License	Tyngsborough

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

Individual	Role
Andrea Pearce	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:

Expedited Applicant (Woman-Owned Business)



- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 10, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 24, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Tyngsborough on April 7, 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	Recruit at least 25% of its 40 employees from impacted communities in
	Boston, Lowell, and Haverhill through its Employment Outreach Program.
2	Donate at least \$25,000 to non-profits in Boston helping neighborhoods in
	Boston disproportionately harmed by the war on drugs.

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.

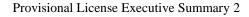
MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within ten (10) 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	Open 24 hours

- 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
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- Recruit at least 50% of its staff that are minorities, women, persons with disabilities, or veterans for its hiring initiatives.
- 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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





San Holdings, LLC

MCN282372 MRN282449

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

San Holdings, LLC 0 Hat Street (Raw Land) (Assessor's Parcel 84-151), Taunton, MA 02780

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.) Retail

The application was reopened two (2) times for its cultivation operations and four (4) times for its retail operations 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
Tanios Barbour	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Sandra Nasrawi	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jacquespaul Barbour	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:



SEP (Jaquespaul Barbour / 10% ownership / SE304216) Expedited Applicant (Woman-Owned Business)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 30, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on September 25, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Taunton on April 13, 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	Recruit 50% of its employees from Taunton for its hiring initiatives.

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 seven (7) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Cultivation

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Friday	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m
Saturday-Sunday	Closed

Retail

Retail	
Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m
and Friday	
Wednesday	11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m



Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 4:00 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% of women and 25% of minorities, veterans, people with
	disabilities and LGBTQ individuals for its hiring initiatives.
2	Provide cultural sensitivity training for all employees including specific training
	for employees in management positions at least one (1) time annually.
3	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.

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

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.





Sira Naturals, Inc.

MRN283946

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Sira Naturals, Inc. 827-829 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

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 one (1) time for additional information.

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

Туре	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 8/Indoor	Application Submitted	Milford
(60,001 - 70,000 sq. ft.)		
Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor	Commence Operations	Milford
(10,001 - 20,000 sq. ft.)		
Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor	Commence Operations	Milford
(5,001 - 10,000 sq. ft.)		
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Milford
Retail	Application Submitted	Somerville
Retail	Application Submitted	Watertown
Marijuana Research Facility	Application Submitted	Milford
Third-Party Transporter	Commence Operations	Milford
MTC	Commence Operations	Needham-Milford
MTC	Commence Operations	Cambridge-Milford
MTC	Commence Operations	Somerville-Milford

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



Individual	Role
Louis Karger	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
David Rosenberg	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Robert Edelstein	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Eric Wardrop	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jonathan Sandelman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jennifer Drake	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Charles Miles	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Steve Menzies	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Mark Pitchford	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Chris Burggraeve	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Brad Asher	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Michelle Foley	Close Associate

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

Entity	Role
CSAC Acquisitions, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
CSAC Holdings, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Ayr Strategies, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Mercer Park CB, LP	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
Mercer Park CB GP, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on November 6, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 18, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality Boston on April 21, 2021stating 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 at least \$5,000 to the CultivatED program to help promote
	participation in the cannabis industry by those who were disproportionately
	harmed by marijuana prohibition.



2 Participate in the Chelsea neighborhood clean-up program.

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 six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m
Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 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% veterans, 5% people with
	disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+ individuals for its hiring initiatives.
2	Ensure at least 25% 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.

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.





Standard Naturals, LLC

MRN282696

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Standard Naturals, LLC d/b/a East Coast Cannabis 7 Linehurst Road, Malden, MA 02148

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 one (1) time 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
Steven Selby	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Joseph Selby	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Scott Moore	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Larry Burak	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Everett Management Corporation	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. Applicant's priority status:



General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 8, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 17, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality of Malden on May 6, 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 a minimum annual financial contribution of at least \$5,000 to the
	CultivatED program to help promote participation in the cannabis industry by
	those who were disproportionately harmed by marijuana prohibition.
2	Provide employees 8 hours per year paid time to participate in a
	neighborhood clean-p initiative that services identified areas of
	disproportionate impact.

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 six (6) monts of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Thursday	9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m
Friday-Sunday	9:00 a.m. to 10:00 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% veterans, 5% people with	
	disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ + individuals for its hiring initiatives.	
2	Ensure at least 25% participants in its supply chain and ancillary services are	
	committed to the same goals of promoting equity and diversity in the adult-us	
	marijuana industry.	

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

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its form licensed Marijuana 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.

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.





The Botanist, Inc.

MPN281672

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

The Botanist, Inc. 1775 Lock Drive, Leominster, MA 01453

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

Product Manufacturing

The application was reopened once (1) 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	Commence Operations	Shrewsbury
Retail	Commence Operations	Worcester
MTC	Commence Operations	Shrewsbury-Sterling
MTC	Commence Operations	Worcester-Sterling
MTC	Provisional License	Leominster-Sterling

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

Individual	Role
Kevin Murphy	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Robert Daino	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
High Street Capital Partners, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

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Acreage Holdings, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
The Botanist, Inc.	Capital Contributor

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 10, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 24, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the municipality on March 19, 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	Hold two (2) educational seminars annually that are advertised towards	
	residents of the City of Fitchburg	
2	Provide \$10,000 in grants annually to Social Equity Program participant or	
	Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants to assist in additional training,	
	start-up costs, business needs, or other items.	

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 seven (7) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

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Monday-Saturday	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m
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	Hire 50% Women, 25% Minorities, 10% Veterans, 10% People with
	Disabilities, 10% People who identify as LGBTQ+

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

#	Product
1	Gummy – Round – Disk – Red - Raspberry
2	Gummy – Round – Disk – Lime Green – Key Lime
3	Gummy – Round – Disk – Orange – Mandarin Orange
4	Gummy – Round – Disk – Purple – Wild Elderberry
5	Gummy – Round – Disk – Yellow – Lemon
6	Chocolate – Round – Disk – Brown - Milk Chocolate
7	Chocolate – Round – Disk – Brown - Milk Chocolate Caramel
8	Chocolate – Round – Disk – Brown - Dark Chocolate Blueberry
9	Chocolate – Round – Disk - Brown – Dark Chocolate Blood Orange

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.

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.

Provisional License Executive Summary 3





Uma Cultivation LLC

MCN282699

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Uma Cultivation LLC 706 Petersham Road, Athol, MA 01331

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened once (1) 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with a retail license.

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

Individual	Role
Priyanka Patel	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Tejal Patel	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Davis Patel	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:

Provisional License Executive Summary 1



Expedited Applicant (Woman-Owned Business/Minority-Owned Business)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on January 19, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 25, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 17, 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	Giving hiring preferences to individuals from two cities identified as areas of	
	disproportionate impact by the Commission, Fitchburg and Greenfield. 10%	
	of the staff will be from Fitchburg and Greenfield	
2	Provide internship opportunities (one individual a 12-week internship	
	opportunity) to individuals 21+ and give selection preference to individuals	
	from Fitchburg. Opportunities will be at least twice a year.	

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

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 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 a staff comprised of 50% women, 5% minorities, 5% veterans, 5%
	people with disabilities, and 5% of individuals who are LGBTQ for its hiring
	initiatives.
2	Host one business seminar per year to provide industry related training and
	leadership to diverse population entrepreneurs which includes minorities,
	women, veterans, people with disabilities.

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 5. 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.





Memorandum

To: Commissioners

Cc: Shawn Collins, Executive Director

Yaw Gyebi, Jr., Chief of Investigations and Enforcement

From: Geneive Hall-Frison, Laboratory Technical Analyst

Armond Enos, Investigations Manager

Jacob Nielson, Associate Enforcement Counsel

Date: June 8, 2021

Subject: Status of the Supplemental Microbiological Testing Protocol

Enforcement Staff was tasked with drafting a supplemental microbiological testing protocol that would be applicable only to outdoor cultivators in the event that Marijuana flower failed microbiological contaminant testing requirements and thresholds set forth in subsection 7.4 and Exhibit 6. Unlike indoor cultivators, outdoor cultivators face environmental factors outside of their control and as a result are exposed to a wide range of microorganisms. Climate, geographical conditions, and wildlife are all factors that can contribute to the spread of microbiological contaminants and result in testing failures.

After reviewing the current microbiological contaminant testing protocols and parameters, Enforcement Staff collaborated with an external working group consisting of the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources and Department of Public Health, Independent Testing Laboratories, Licensees, and other industry stakeholders to develop a supplemental testing protocol. Phone conferences were held with the Department of Agricultural Resources and Department of Public Health on April 7, 2021, four Independent Testing Laboratories on April 14, 2021, and Licensees and industry stakeholders on April 15, 2021.

Working Group Feedback

During the phone conferences, Enforcement Staff received additional information and insight into the Commission's current microbiological testing protocols and the challenges impacting outdoor and indoor cultivators' ability to pass the microbiological contaminant testing requirements. Both outdoor and indoor cultivators participated in these discussions as well as the Independent Testing Laboratories. The consensus was that the Commission should not adopt two different microbiological contaminant testing protocols and procedures for indoor and outdoor cultivations. All Marijuana flower should be subject to the same microbiological tests, regardless of whether the product was derived from indoor or outdoor cultivation. Maintaining two different testing standards may result in less public confidence that all Marijuana flower has been adequately tested. Secondly, offering or requiring an additional microbiological contaminant test will increase



licensees' testing turnaround times. Smaller organizations, which may include social equity licensees, microbusinesses, or craft cooperatives for example, may not have the financial resources and ability to pay for the additional testing.

Additionally, there are similarities found in both indoor and outdoor cultivations in terms of naturally diverse biomes. Indoor cultivators have developed techniques to include "live soil" that mimics the natural environment suitable for cannabis cultivation. Live soil focuses on the microbiology and biodiversity of the soil, which can include healthy bacteria, worms, and kelp extracts. Cultivators who create a biodiverse growing media rely on microbes that eat and digest compounds which results in the creation of bioavailable fertilizers.

Lastly, Independent Testing Laboratories will require a minimum of one (1) year to complete method development, validation, and submit to the International Organization for Standardization for accreditation for the detection of species-specific microbiological contaminants. The Independent Testing Laboratories are currently not capable of testing Marijuana flower for all the species-specific microbiological contaminants presented in the draft proposal.

Enforcement Staff Feedback

In addition to the above feedback, Enforcement Staff believes that more time is necessary to compile a comprehensive list of species-specific pathogens. While Enforcement Staff has compiled a list of species-specific pathogens tested for in other states from the Food and Drug Administration and the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists, there is not enough publicly available information to adequately identify species-specific pathogens that pose a risk to human health through cannabis use and impact the cannabis plant. To address this shortcoming, staff needs time to consult with a toxicologist/agricultural specialist to determine the correlation, if any, between the total yeast and mold count and the presence of species-specific pathogens. The assessment may also indicate the environmental conditions that may contribute to a higher yield of total aerobic bacteria and how all variables may relate to one another. The anticipated time required for a toxicologist/agricultural specialist to provide a comprehensive assessment for the species-specific list may vary depending on the extent of the research conducted. Finding a specialist through the Commission's procurement process can range from three (3) to six (6) months. The timeline for services provided by the specialist can be curtailed by the Commission's needs. A three (3) to six (6) months deadline can be imposed on the specialist to produce the data necessary for a recommendation.

Currently, the Independent Testing Laboratories base their microbiological methods on the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists standardized method. If the Commission moves to a species-specific testing protocol, a period of method development and validation will commence that establishes methodology for the Independent Testing Laboratories to perform the new microbiological screenings. A date of completion for establishing these methods can be up to a year according to the Independent Testing Laboratories. Lastly, the turnaround time of routinely



assessed/tested products under the current protocol may be affected. This may adversely affect the supply chain, among other side effects.

Therefore, at this time, given the issues identified above, no changes to the current microbiological testing protocols and procedures are recommended.

The benefit of this recommendation is that it affords Commission staff more time to confer with a toxicologist/agricultural specialist regarding finalization of the microbiological species-specific list. This would provide more time for the Independent Testing Laboratories to further develop, and ultimately receive accreditation for testing per the species-specific list. The drawbacks are that no current changes would be implemented, and it does not immediately address concerns raised by licensees and stakeholders regarding outdoor cultivated flower failing for microbiological contaminants.

Ultimately, Enforcement Staff will recommend that the Commission adopts supplemental species-specific microbiological testing protocols and procedures for all indoor and outdoor cultivated Marijuana flower that fails the initial microbiological contaminant tests currently required.

<u>Supplemental Microbiological Protocol Research-Next Steps</u>

The Commission's Laboratory and Testing Analyst will clearly define the scope of research needed by a specialist and will continue to comprehensively review literature through the duration of the information-gathering process. Upon securing the services of a toxicologist/agricultural specialist, the Laboratory and Testing Analyst and Enforcement Staff and will carefully consider, develop, and conduct research to address the associated challenges. A more detailed timeline will be developed to guide the execution of the research project plan. Additional and continued discussions will be held to obtain feedback from key stakeholders and the Independent Testing Laboratories on the information necessary to advise the Commission on a timeline for laboratory process preparedness. The Laboratory and Testing Analyst and the toxicologist/agricultural specialist will share the knowledge that has been gained through presentations and conferences and propose an actionable recommendation to the Commission.

After collaboration with the toxicologist/agricultural specialist, the Supplemental Protocol would go through a period of review and approval prior to submission to the Commission. After approval by the Commission, the species-specific list would then be submitted to the Independent Testing Laboratories for implementation of testing methods and laboratory processes. Finally, process validation and accreditation should follow.



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I. Introduction

The Cannabis Control Commission (Commission) regulates licensees that operate in the legal adult- and medical-use marijuana markets in Massachusetts. This includes reviewing applications and issuing licenses for adult-use Marijuana Establishments (MEs) and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs), formerly known as Registered Marijuana Dispensaries (RMDs).

The Commission's goal is for this guidance to assist applicants and licensees with navigating the application and licensing processes, and remaining compliant with applicable laws, regulations, and policies, which include the following:

- St. 2017, c. 55, An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana
- G.L. c. 94G, Regulation of the Use and Distribution of Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed
- G.L. c. 94I, Medical Use of Marijuana
- Regulations
 - o 935 CMR 500.000: Adult Use of Marijuana
 - o 935 CMR 501.000: Medical Use of Marijuana
- Guidance Documents

Please note that applicants and licensees are required to remain current with the laws, regulations, and policies governing licensure. Applicants and licensees are responsible for reviewing revisions to this document as changes to laws, regulations, and policies may occur.

FYI—For Your Information

Some things to be conscious of when applying to become a licensee:

- The Commission reviews applications for licensure in a certain order set by regulations. An initial review of your application may not occur right away as other applications may have priority or expedited review.
- The Commission will notify applicants and licensees of all next steps— please do not take next steps until directed to do so.

Please ensure that all requests for information are fully complied with in order to reduce the time to obtain licensure, if appropriate.

The following guidance is not legal advice. If you have additional questions regarding the legal requirements for licensure in the Commonwealth, you are encouraged to consult an attorney.



II. License Types & Limits

Applicants can determine the type of license they want to obtain by first determining what type of marijuana business they want to operate. For example, an applicant that wants to cultivate marijuana has at least four (4) different options depending on whether they want to operate in the adult- or medical-use market and how they want to operate their business:

- Applicants who want to grow and cultivate adult-use marijuana may apply for one of three (3) ME licenses: Marijuana Cultivation license, Craft Marijuana Cooperative license, or Microbusiness license. Further information about each license type is available below.
- Applicants who want to assist registered patients with medical marijuana can obtain an MTC license, which will allow them to cultivate, produce, dispense, and deliver marijuana to registered patients and their caregivers.

Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (MTC)

A Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, commonly referred to as an MTC, is an entity licensed under the medical regulations. An MTC acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes, transports, sells, distributes, delivers, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing cannabis or marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to registered qualifying patients or their personal caregivers for medical use. This license type is commonly referred to as a vertically integrated license as it allows and requires the licensee to perform all associated operations.

MTCs may deliver marijuana and marijuana products directly to patients and caregivers after receiving Commission approval.

Marijuana Cultivator

A Marijuana Cultivator may cultivate, process, and package marijuana, to transfer marijuana to other MEs, but not to consumers. Cultivators must select what tier they will be in by determining the total canopy they will cultivate. Canopy is an area calculated in square feet and measured using clearly identifiable boundaries of all areas(s) that will contain flowering and/or vegetative plants that are larger than 8 inches tall and 8 inches wide at any point in time. The available tiers include the following:



Tier	Canopy Size Allowed		
1	up to 5,000 square feet		
2	5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft.		
3	10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.		
4	20,001 to 30,000 sq. ft.		
5	30,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.		
6	40,001 to 50,000 sq. ft.		
7	50,001 to 60,000 sq. ft.		
8	60,001 to 70,000 sq. ft.		
9	70,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.		
10	80,001 to 90,000 sq. ft.		
11	90,001 to 100,000 sq. ft.		

A Marijuana Cultivator may submit an application to change the tier in which it is classified. Once provisionally licensed, a licensee may voluntarily relegate its tier. However, if a licensee requests to expand their tier, they must demonstrate that while operating at the top of its tier it has sold 85% of its product consistently over the preceding six (6) months. Therefore, an applicant should ensure that the tier it chooses is appropriate until able to demonstrate this requirement because it may not be able to expand until at least six (6) months after receiving a commence operations notice.

In connection with the renewal of a Marijuana Cultivator license, the Commission will review the records of the licensee and may reduce the licensee's tier if the licensee sold less than 70% of what it produced during the six (6) months prior to the renewal application (indoor cultivators) or during the harvest season prior to the application for renewal (outdoor cultivators). Some factors that the Commission may consider in reducing a Marijuana Cultivator's tier include the following:

- Cultivation and production history, including any catastrophic events that may have occurred;
- Transfer, sales, and excise tax payment history;
- Existing inventory and inventory history;
- Sales contracts; and
- Any other factors relevant to ensuring responsible cultivation, production, and inventory



management.

Craft Marijuana Cooperative

A Craft Marijuana Cooperative is a type of Marijuana Cultivator which may cultivate, obtain, manufacture, process, package, and brand marijuana and marijuana products to transport marijuana to MEs, but not to consumers.

A Craft Marijuana Cooperative is not limited to a particular number of cultivation locations, but is limited to a total canopy of 100,000 square feet and three (3) locations for activities authorized for Marijuana Product Manufacturers. A Craft Marijuana Cooperative must operate according to the seven cooperative principles published by the International Cooperative Alliance in 1995 (https://www.ica.coop/en/cooperatives/cooperative-identity).

Marijuana Product Manufacturer

A Marijuana Product Manufacturer is an entity authorized to obtain, manufacture, process, and package marijuana and marijuana products, to transport marijuana and marijuana products to MEs, and to transfer marijuana and marijuana products to other MEs, but not to consumers.

Marijuana Retailer

A Marijuana Retailer is an entity authorized to purchase, repackage, white label, and transport marijuana or marijuana products from MEs, and to sell, repackage or otherwise transfer marijuana and marijuana products to other MEs and to sell to consumers.

A Marijuana Retailer provides a retail location which may be accessed by consumers 21 years of age or older or, if the retailer is colocated with an MTC, by individuals who are also registered qualifying patients or personal caregivers. Unless also licensed separately as a Social Consumption Establishment, marijuana shall not be consumed on the premises.

Existing Licensee Transporter

An ME that is otherwise licensed by the Commission and also licensed to purchase, obtain, and possess Marijuana or Marijuana Products solely for the purpose of transporting, temporary storage, sale and distribution on behalf of other MEs or MTCs to other establishments, but not to consumers.

Third-Party Transporter

A Marijuana Transporter is an entity that may only transport marijuana or marijuana products and does not hold another ME license and is not licensed as an MTC. A Third-party Transporter is permitted to



transport marijuana and marijuana products between MEs and between MTCs.

Marijuana Research Facility

A Marijuana Research Facility licensee or Research Licensee is an academic institution, non-profit corporation, domestic corporation, or entity authorized to do business in Massachusetts. A Marijuana Research Facility may cultivate, purchase, or otherwise acquire marijuana for the purpose of conducting research regarding marijuana and marijuana products if the licensee possesses such a license (such as Marijuana Cultivator, Marijuana Product Manufacturer, Marijuana Retailer, a Microbusiness or a Craft Marijuana Cooperative license) to do so or is allowed to do so through an approved Research Permit if the cultivation or product manufacturing process is the subject of its research.

All Marijuana Research Facility licensees are required to obtain a Research Permit for each individual research projects. Research Permits are certificates indicating approval from the Commission to conduct a specific research project over a specified and finite period of time. A separate application and application requirements apply to each Research Permit.

Independent Testing Laboratory (ITL)

An Independent Testing Laboratory, commonly referred to as an ITL, is an entity that does not hold any other type of ME/MTC license and is properly accredited to perform tests in compliance with the stringent requirements of the Commission's protocols for testing marijuana and marijuana products. Licensed ITLs may test marijuana and marijuana products in the adult- and medical- use markets.

ITLs shall be accredited to the most current International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 17025 by a third-party accrediting body that is a signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) Mutual Recognition Arrangement prior to final licensure. Additionally, ITLs, and the individuals and entities associated with it, shall be independent financially from any licensed MTC or ME.

Standards Testing Laboratory

A Standards Testing Laboratory is an entity that would otherwise qualify to be an Independent Testing Laboratory, but instead performs blind tests to verify the results of an Independent Testing Laboratory at the request of the Commission.

Microbusiness

A Microbusiness is a colocated Tier 1 Marijuana Cultivator, and/or Marijuana Product Manufacturer limited to purchase 2,000 pounds of marijuana from other MEs in one (1) year.



A Microbusiness licensee may not be a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control for any other ME except a Social Consumption Establishment. A majority of the Microbusiness' executives or members must have been residents of Massachusetts for no less than 12 months prior to application. Microbusiness may apply for a Delivery Endorsement which would allow the licensee to sell and deliver marijuana or marijuana products produced at its licensed location directly to consumers.

Marijuana Courier Licensee

A Marijuana Courier licensee may deliver marijuana or marijuana products directly to consumers or patients at a residential address from a Marijuana Retailer or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center with which the Marijuana Courier has a delivery agreement. A delivery agreement sets forth the business terms of their agreement, as well as procedures for pre-verification of consumers receiving deliveries. A Marijuana Courier is not a retailer and shall not have a retail location accessible to the public unless they are also licensed as a Marijuana Retailer. Deliveries of marijuana or marijuana products are limited to the following:

- □ municipality of the Marijuana Courier's place of business;
- □ municipalities that allow for the operation of Marijuana Retailers; and
- municipalities that opt-in (ie any municipality which, after receiving notice from the Commission, has notified the Commission that delivery may operate within its borders) to delivery.

A Marijuana Courier license shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants and/or Social Equity Program Participants for a period of at least 36 months from the date the first Marijuana Delivery Operator receives a notice to commence operations.

Please note that the Commission will be collecting data and information over this period. The Commission will evaluate whether the goals of this initiative were met and, if not, may further extend the exclusivity period.

Marijuana Delivery Operator Licensee

A Marijuana Delivery Operator may purchase at wholesale and warehouse finished marijuana or marijuana products acquired from a Marijuana Cultivator, Marijuana Product Manufacturer, Microbusiness or Craft Marijuana Cooperative, and sell and deliver directly to consumers. A Marijuana Delivery Operator Licensee is not considered to be a Retailer under the Commission's regulations but is responsible for complying with all applicable Department of Revenue requirements for retail sales.



A Marijuana Delivery Operator licensee shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants and/or Social Equity Program Participants for a period of at least 36 months from the date the first Marijuana Delivery Operator receives a notice to commence operations.

Please note that the Commission will be collecting data and information over this period. The Commission will evaluate whether the goals of this initiative were met and, if not, may further extend the exclusivity period.

Social Consumption Establishment

Social Consumption Establishment means an entity licensed to sell marijuana or marijuana products and allow consumers to consume marijuana or marijuana products solely on its premises. The application for this license will be made available only after six (6) communities have been selected to participate in the Commission's Social Consumption Pilot Program.

Social Consumption Establishment licenses are limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants, Microbusinesses, and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives for a period of at least 36 months from the date the first Social Consumption Establishment receives a notice to commence operations.

Please note that the Commission will be collecting data and information over this period. The Commission will evaluate whether the goals of this initiative were met and, if not, may further extend the exclusivity period.

Delivery Endorsement

In addition to the license types discussed above, the Commission may approve Delivery Endorsements to qualifying MEs. A Delivery Endorsement authorizes the licensee to sell and deliver marijuana and marijuana products directly from the licensee's licensed establishment to consumers. This endorsement is currently available to MEs that are licensed as Microbusinesses and controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants and/or Social Equity Program Participants for a period of at least 36 months from the date the first Marijuana Delivery Operator receives a notice to commence operations.

Please note that the Commission will be collecting data and information over this period. The Commission will evaluate whether the goals of this initiative were met and, if not, may further extend the exclusivity period.



Limits on Licenses and Endorsements

As discussed previously, all license types have limits on the number of licenses an individual or entity can possess. Additional restrictions may apply to certain license types. The grid below will be helpful when determining what license type to choose when applying, and to understand the limits on license types.

FYI—For Your Information

The table below uses specifically defined terms, for example, Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control. Most terms will be defined in the Commission's regulations in sections 935 CMR 500.002 and 501.002 If you encounter a term and don't know it's meaning, please check the definition sections in the stated regulations for their meaning.

Type	Limits	Additional Limitations	
MTC	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) MTC licenses.	An MTC can acquire ME licenses, however, no Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than a total of 100,000 sq. ft. of canopy between this license and the adult-use Marijuana Cultivator license. The 100,000 sq. ft. canopy cap applies across the board to all license types or combinations of license types issued by the Commission.	
Marijuana Cultivator	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) licenses.	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than 100,000 sq. ft. of canopy between this license and an MTC license.	
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	Craft Marijuana Cooperatives are limited to one (1) license.	Members may not be Persons or Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control in any other ME. Such restriction shall not be construed to prohibit the licensee from applying for a Marijuana Retailer, Existing Licensee Transporter, Marijuana Research or Social Consumption Establishment Licensee.	



Standards Testing Laboratory	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) licenses.	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall have another type of MTC or ME license.	
Microbusiness	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) licenses.	The licensee(s) shall not be a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control for any other ME except a Microbusiness can have a Delivery Endorsement or have a Social Consumption Establishment license, provided that Licenses shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants.	
Third-Party Transporter	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) licenses.	The entity shall not hold any other license type, however, individuals and other entities associated with the license may have interest in other license types.	
Existing Licensee Transporter	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than three (3) licenses.	The entity shall hold another license type.	
Marijuana Courier	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than (2) two types of Delivery licenses.	Licenses shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants for a period of 36 months from the date the first Marijuana Delivery Operator receives a notice to commence operations.	



Marijuana Delivery Operator	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than (2) two types of Delivery licenses.	Licenses shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants for a period of 36 months from the date the first Marijuana Delivery Operator receives a notice to commence operations.	
Social Consumption Establishment	No Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control shall be granted more than (3) three licenses.	Licenses shall be limited on an exclusive basis to businesses controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants; Microbusinesses; and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives, for a period of 36 months from the date the first Social Consumption Establishment receives a notice to commence operations.	
Delivery Endorsement		A Delivery Endorsement is not a license. A Microbusiness controlled by and with majority ownership comprised of Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants or Social Equity Program Participants may apply for and obtain this endorsement.	

III. Application, License, and License Change Fees

Applicants and licensees shall be charged fees for various activities, some of which include the following:

- ☐ An application fee when applying for a license;
- □ A license fee when approved for a provisional license;
- □ A fee for an Architectural Review Request;
- □ The annual license fee when renewing a license;
- □ When requesting a change of location, name, ownership/control, or building or renovating an existing structure;
- □ When applying to be a Preapproved Court Appointee; and
- □ When seeking preapproval for packaging and labeling.



Adult-Use Fees

The fees for adult-use applications and licenses are as follows:

License Types	Application Fees (Indoor/Outdoor)	Annual License Fee (Indoor/Outdoor)
Marijuana Cultivator (Indoor or Outdoor)		
Tier 1: up to 5,000 square feet Tier 2: 5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft. Tier 3: 10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft. Tier 4: 20,001 to 30,000 sq. ft. Tier 5: 30,001 to 40,000 sq. ft. Tier 6: 40,001 to 50,000 sq. ft. Tier 7: 50,001 to 60,000 sq. ft. Tier 8: 60,001 to 70,000 sq. ft. Tier 9: 70,001 to 80,000 sq. ft. Tier 10: 80,001 to 90,000 sq. ft. Tier 11: 90,001 to 100,000 sq. ft.	\$200 (I)/\$100 (O) \$400 (I)/\$200 (O) \$600 (I)/\$300 (O) \$2,000 (I)/\$1,500 (O)	\$1,250 (I)/\$625 (O) \$2,500 (I)/\$1,250 (O) \$5,000 (I)/\$2,500 (O) \$20,000 (I)/\$10,000 (O) \$22,500 (I)/\$11,250 (O) \$25,000 (I)/\$12,500 (O) \$30,000 (I)/\$15,000 (O) \$35,000 (I)/\$17,500 (O) \$40,000 (I)/\$20,000 (O) \$45,000 (I)/\$22,500 (O) \$50,000 (I)/\$25,000 (O)
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	Total fees for its Canopy. If more than six locations, add \$200 (I)/\$100(O) per additional location.	Total fees for its Canopy. If more than six locations, add \$1,250(I)/\$625(O) per additional location.
Marijuana Product Manufacturing	\$1,500	\$10,000
Marijuana Microbusiness	\$0	50% of all applicable license fees
Independent Testing Laboratory	\$1,500	\$10,000
Marijuana Retailer (brick and mortar)	\$1,500	\$10,000
Social Consumption Establishment	\$1,500	\$10,000
Marijuana Transporter: Third-party Transporter	\$1,500	\$5,000



Marijuana Transporter: Existing Licensee Transporter	\$1,000	\$5,000
Marijuana Courier	\$1,500	\$5,000
Marijuana Delivery Operator	\$1,500	\$10,000
ME with a Delivery Endorsement	\$500	\$5,000
Marijuana Research Facility	\$300	\$1,000
Marijuana Research Permit	\$1,000	\$1,000

All fees are non-refundable and cannot be waived unless specified below.

Fee Waivers

Certain fees are waived automatically for Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants (EE), Social Equity Program Participants (SEP), and Minority-, Women-, and Veteran-owned businesses (DBE) that meet certain eligibility criteria.

Please note that for DBEs to receive fee waivers they must already be certified by the Supplier Diversity Office, finished certification, and qualify as a Small Business. A Small Business is defined as an applicant or licensee that (1) has 50 or less full-time employees in all locations that work a combined total of no more than 2,600 hours per quarter and (2) have gross revenues of less than \$5 million per year.

Please see the table below for applicable waivers:

Category		100% Application Fee Waived	Initial License Fee	Monthly Metrc Fee Waived
Microbusinesses	N/A			



Craft Marijuana Cooperatives	N/A		
EE	Majority ownership (greater than 50%) held by EEs and/or SEPs		
SEP	Majority ownership (greater than 50%) held by EEs and/or SEPs		
DBE	Certified by Supplier Diversity Office as an MBE, WBE, and VBE and meet the definition of a Small Business		
Delivery Licensees (during Exclusivity Period)	N/A		

Medical-Use Fees

The fees for medical-use applications and licenses are as follows:

License Types	Fees
MTC Application Fee	\$3,500
MTC Initial/Annual License Fee	\$50,000

Other Fees Associated with Licenses

In addition to application and licensure fees, other fees apply if a licensee is requesting to change their name, location, ownership, or building structure. Licensees shall submit requests for these types of changes along with the applicable fee. Each fee is assessed per each license affected.

These fees apply to both adult- and medical-use licensees and differ only where designated. Fee waivers do not apply to these fees. The fees for these types of changes are as follows:

Change or Review	Fee
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Name Change	\$1,000
Location Change	50% of the applicable license fee (Adult) 10,000 (Medical)
Building Structure Change	\$1000
Ownership or Control Change (involving at least one entity gaining ownership/control)	\$5,000 per entity, per license
Ownership or Control (involving individuals, e.g., change of Board Member)	\$500 per person, per license
Architectural Review Request	\$1,500
Packaging and Labeling Pre-Approval Application	\$50 per product

All fees are non-refundable. The fees above cannot be waived. In addition to the fees above, additional fees exist for the following:

- Background checks for individuals associated with a license application;
- Fingerprinting for individuals associated with a license application;
- Monthly Metrc Program fees (once licensed);
- Metrc package and label tags (once licensed); and
- Application fees for registering and renewing agents (once licensed).

IV. Licensure Overview

All businesses that seek to enter the adult- and medical-use markets as licensees must complete several steps prior to commencing full operations. A summary outline of the overall licensing process can be found in the appendix. This section will provide in-depth guidance for applicants seeking licensure.

License Application Process

The first step to becoming a licensee is to submit the license application fee and all three (3) sections of the application in a single application:

• Application of Intent,



- Background Check, and
- Management and Operations Profile.

Each section requires applicants to provide accurate information about the business, individuals and entities associated with the business and to demonstrate an understanding of the Commission's regulations that are specific to the applicant's license type, location, and scale. The adult- and medical-use license applications have essentially the same requirements with differences highlighted in the following sections.

License Application—Application of Intent Section

This section outlines all requirements in the Application of Intent, commonly referred to as the AOI, and provides guidance on how to comply with the Commission's regulations.

Required Individuals and Entities

An applicant must disclose Persons or Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control in their application for licensure. A Person or Entity Having Direct Control satisfies one or more of the following criteria:

An owner that possesses a financial interest in the form of equity of 10% or greater in a ME or
MTC;
A person or entity that possess a voting interest of 10% or greater in a ME or MTC or a right to
veto significant events;
A Close Associate;
A person or entity that has rights to control, through contract or otherwise, or authority,
including but not limited to:
to make decisions regarding operations and strategic planning, capital allocations, acquisitions,
and divestments;
to appoint more than 50% of the directors;
to appoint or remove corporate-level officers;
to make major marketing, production, and financial decisions;
to execute significant (combined \$10,000 or more) or exclusive contracts; or
to earn 10% or more of the profits or collect more than 10% of the dividends.
A Court Appointee;
A Third-Party Technology Platform Provider that possesses a financial interest in a Delivery
licensee.

Persons or Entities Having Indirect Control means any person or entity having indirect control over operations of a ME or MTC. It specifically includes any person with a controlling interest in an indirect holding or parent company of the applicant, and the chief executive officer and executive director of



those companies, or any person or entity in a position indirectly to control the decision-making of a ME or MTC.

Applicants are encouraged to include individuals that exert control through the contribution of services. For example, an individual may exert control by making decisions about the establishment management or operations. Applicants do not need to disclose individuals who provide services and do not exert control. For example, applicants do not need to disclose consultants who consult, but do not make decisions for the establishment.

Disclosure of In-State Interests

Applicants are required to disclose whether any individual or entity listed in the application are disclosed in any other ME or MTC license application or associated with another any existing license. The disclosure should include all current information that is known to be accurate and true. This information should not be deceptive, misleading, false, or fraudulent, or that tends to deceive or create a misleading impression.

Disclosure of Out-of-State Interests

Applicants are required to disclose whether any individual or entity listed in an application have past or present marijuana-related business interests in other states and to provide documentation of their interests. They should exercise their judgment in identifying other business interests relevant to their application.

The documentation required for this section can take the form of a business license, articles of organization, bylaws, operating agreements, or an affidavit stating that the disclosure is accurate and true.

Capital Resources

Applicants shall disclose the amounts and sources of capital resources available to them from any individual or entity that will be contributing capital to establish or operate the identified ME. Forms of capital could include loans (monetary, real or personal property) for repayment or for equity stakes.

The applicant shall disclose the name, address, contact information, and amount and source of the capital that will be provided from each individual or entity. In addition to the disclosure, the applicant must submit documentation that includes, but is not limited to, a bank or financial institution record dated within 60 days of the application submission date verifying the existence of the capital. If the individual or entity is providing capital resources for repayment of a loan, any written agreement governing the loan must be provided as well.



If the individual or entity contributing capital resources could be classified as a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control, they must also be listed as such in the appropriate section.

After making these disclosures and providing this information, the applicant must certify that the funds used to invest in or finance the ME or MTC were lawfully earned or obtained, which can be demonstrated by an affidavit or notarized document attesting to this requirement. As part of a review of the application, or an inspection of the licensee's operations, the Commission may require additional information or documentation that demonstrates the source of the funds.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

Applicants for licensure as a ME have no minimum amount of capital resources that must be demonstrated. Applicants to become an MTC must demonstrate capital resources of \$500,000 on their first application and an additional \$400,000 for the second and third applications.

Bond or Escrow

All applicants are required to set aside, either through a bond or an escrow account, an amount of money sufficient to cover the dismantling and winding down of the ME or MTC. The amount set aside must be enough to cover the cost of satisfying any outstanding state or municipal sales tax obligations, costs incurred securing the licensee's facility, and cost incurred destroying the marijuana and marijuana products in its inventory.

If the applicant acquires a bond, the applicant is required to set aside the total amount of their licensing fees as set forth in 935 CMR 500.005 or 501.005, even if the fees have been waived. If the applicant establishes an escrow account, the applicant must set aside at least \$5,000, and is encouraged to set aside the total amount of their licensing fees, even if the fees have been waived.

If the applicant acquires a bond, the bond should reflect the following:

- The applicant is the Principal;
- The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, 2 Washington Square, Worcester, MA, 01604, is the obligee;
- The purpose of the bond is to cover any costs incurred by the Commission to satisfy any outstanding state and local sales tax obligations, costs incurred to secure any licensed marijuana facility, costs incurred to destroy the marijuana and marijuana products in its inventory, and to



cover other costs incurred by the Commission or its designee in dismantling or winding down of the licensee's facility in accordance with its policies and governing laws.

If the applicant establishes an escrow account, the account should reflect the following:

- The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, 2 Washington Square, Worcester, MA, 01604, is the sole beneficiary; and
- The purpose of the bond is to cover any costs incurred by the Commission to satisfy any
 outstanding state and local sales tax obligations, costs incurred to secure any licensed marijuana
 facility, costs incurred to destroy the marijuana and marijuana products in its inventory, and to
 cover other costs incurred by the Commission or its designee in dismantling or winding down of
 the licensee's facility in accordance with its policies and governing laws.

If the applicant's attorney holds the funds in its trust/escrow account in the client's name, a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the attorney is an acceptable way to meet this requirement as long as the MOU reflects the following:

- The attorney is holding the funds for the sole purpose of covering any costs incurred by the Commission to satisfy any outstanding state and local sales tax obligations, costs incurred to secure any licensed marijuana facility, costs incurred to destroy the marijuana and marijuana products in its inventory, and to cover other costs incurred by the Commission or its designee in dismantling or winding down of the licensee's facility in accordance with its policies and governing laws;
- The amount of funds; and
- The attorney will release the funds to the Commission or its designee on a demonstration that it has incurred these costs.

Property Identification and Interest Documentation

Each applicant must disclose the location of their proposed ME or MTC. A licensee is limited to performing operations at a single location with the exception of Craft Marijuana Cooperatives and MTC licensees.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

Applicants for licensure as a ME apply for a license usually for a single operation (i.e. cultivation) and must select no more than one (1) location. Applicants to become an MTC



apply to cultivate, process, produce, and dispense marijuana under a single license. The licensee can select up to two (2) locations from which they will cultivate, produce, and dispense marijuana.

After identifying the proposed location(s) where operations will be licensed, the applicant is required to submit property interest documentation, which may be demonstrated by one of the following:

- 1. clear legal title to the proposed site;
- 2. an option to purchase the proposed site;
- 3. a legally enforceable agreement to give such title; or
- 4. documentation from the owner evidencing permission to use the premises.

FYI—For Your Information

Applicants may not be required to pay rent on property during the application phase in certain circumstances. Some property interest documentation options stated above may require no monthly payments until utilizing the premises or acquiring a license. Applicants are encouraged to consult with an attorney on available options.

Host Community Agreement Certification

Each applicant must upload a single-page certification signed by the contracting authorities for the host community and applicant evidencing that they have executed a Host Community Agreement. A single-page certification form is available on the Commission's website. If the applicant will operate at more than one location (for example, Craft Marijuana Cooperatives or MTCs), a certification form with the above requirements is required for each location.

Additional guidance on the laws governing Host Community Agreements can be located on the Commission's website. A fully executed Host Community Agreement will not be accepted in lieu of the single-page certification form.

Community Outreach Meeting Attestation and Documentation

The purpose of the Community Outreach Meeting is to inform the public in the host community about the proposed ME or MTC, provide information, and answer the public's questions. It is strongly suggested that the Community Outreach Meeting be held prior to finalizing a Host Community



Agreement because the meeting is intended to help inform the Host Community Agreement process. Each applicant must conduct a Community Outreach Meeting that complies with the following:

- The meeting must be conducted within six (6) months prior to submitting the license application;
- Notice of the meeting must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city or town at least 14 calendar days prior to the meeting. The notice must include the time, place, subject matter of the meeting, and proposed address of the ME or MTC;
- Notice of the meeting must be filed with the city or town clerk, the planning board, the
 contracting authority for the municipality, and local cannabis licensing authority, if applicable. The
 notice must include the time, place, subject matter of the meeting, and proposed address of the
 ME or MTC;
- Notice of the meeting must be mailed to all abutters and residents within 300 feet of the proposed address of the ME or MTC at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the meeting. The notice must include the time, place, subject matter of the meeting, and proposed address of the ME or MTC;
- At least one (1) meeting must be held in the host community and at least one (1) meeting must be held after normal business hours. A single meeting may be held if it falls within both requirements.
- The following must occur at the meeting:
 - o Information presented about the type of ME or MTC to be located at the proposed address;
 - Information presented that is adequate to demonstrate that the location will be maintained securely;
 - o Information about the steps that will be taken by the ME or MTC to prevent diversion to minors;
 - o Information presented about the applicant's plan to positively impact the community;
 - Information presented that is adequate to demonstrate that the location will not constitute a nuisance; and
 - Community members are allowed to ask questions and receive answers from the ME or MTC.

In order to demonstrate compliance with this requirement, applicants must provide the following:

- A completed Community Outreach Meeting Attestation form available on the Commission's website. Please ensure to follow the instructions on the form;
- A copy of the notice in the publication that clearly shows the required information that was provided to the public, as well as, the name and date of the publication;
- A copy of the notice filed with the city or town clerk; and



• A copy of the notice mailed to abutters.

If the proposed ME or MTC will have locations in more than one (1) city or town, applicants must fulfill the Community Outreach Meeting requirements for each location.

FYI—For Your Information

Please note that the requirement regarding the publication of the Community Outreach Meeting in a newspaper of general circulation has changed. The notice now must be published at least 14 calendar days prior to the meeting. The previous requirement required only a seven (7) day notice. Notices published after November 1, 2019 must comply with this requirement.

Plan to Remain Compliant with Local Ordinances

Each applicant shall submit a description of plans to ensure that the ME or MTC is or will be compliant with local codes, ordinances, and bylaws for its physical address which shall include, but not be limited to, the identification of all local requirements for the sale of adult- or medical- use of marijuana.

This plan shall identify all steps taken with municipal departments or officials regarding local rules and permitting requirements. Additionally, applicants shall include in their plan, but not be limited to, the following information:

- Identification of the appropriate zoning district of the proposed address; and
- Identification of the appropriate permits that are required, if any, and the timing and frequency of obtaining and renewing such permits.

Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People

Applicants for licensure as an ME or MTC shall submit a Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People. The plans shall be designed to positively impact the following groups of disproportionately harmed people, as designated by the Commission:

1. Past or present residents of the geographic "areas of disproportionate impact," which have been defined by the Commission and identified in its Guidance for Identifying Areas of Disproportionate Impact. Note that some disproportionately impacted geographic locations are cities or towns, and others are neighborhoods identified by census tracts. The designation of these areas will be re-evaluated periodically.



- 2. Commission-designated Economic Empowerment Priority applicants;
- 3. Commission-designated Social Equity Program participants;
- 4. Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and
- 5. Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions.

The plan shall outline the goals, programs, and measurements the ME or MTC will pursue once provisionally licensed. All goals should be measurable and quantifiable. Upon renewal, the licensee will be required to report, at a minimum, detailed, demonstrative, and quantifiable proof of the establishment's efforts, progress, and success of its approved plan.

FYI—For Your Information

Please note that additional in-depth guidance is available on the Commission's website for applicants and licensees to comply with the Positive Impact Plan requirement.

Application Fee

Each applicant is required to submit the applicable application fee. All fees, and any applicable waiver or reductions, are outlined within this guidance document.

License Application—Background Check Section

In the Background Check section, commonly referred to as the BGC, the applicant must list all relevant individuals and entities along with all background disclosures and authorization forms. Each individual or entity listed in the Applicant of Intent section shall also be listed in the Background Check section. Individuals and entities will undergo an in-depth background check and individuals will submit to fingerprinting checks.

Background Check Information

The Commission is required to make a determination of suitability for licensure for each individual and entity listed on an application, which is based, in part on the background checks. Background checks will include, but not be limited to, a review of the following:

- Massachusetts' and national criminal database records;
- Massachusetts' and national civil database records, including professional and occupational records;
- The individual and entity's involvement in other marijuana-related businesses; and



• Any actions taken against any license or registration held by the individual or entity.

Each individual and entity listed on the application must disclose actions in Massachusetts or another jurisdiction:

- A description of any criminal action, whether felony or misdemeanor, that resulted in a conviction, guilty plea, plea of nolo contendere or admission to sufficient facts;
- A description of any civil action, including actions related to a professional, occupational, or fraudulent practice;
- A description of any administrative action, including actions related to a medical- or adult-use marijuana operation;
- A description of any disciplinary action taken in any jurisdiction against a license, registration, or certification held by the individual or entity, such as a suspension or revocation, including, but not limited to, a license to prescribe or distribute controlled substances; and
- A description of any license denial.

Applicants are not required to provide information about any conviction that has been sealed or expunged by court order.

Background Authorization Forms

Individuals associated with an application are required to submit to a background check. Background checks are performed by the Commission's third-party vendor. For the vendor to receive the necessary information, the applicant must submit three (3) authorization forms and an unexpired government-issued photo identification card for each individual listed on the application:

- CORI Acknowledgement Form;
 - All required individuals should complete the required fields of the "Subject Information" section on page two (2) before signing page one (1). When signing page one (1), please do so in front of a notary public or a verifying employee. The notary public or verifying employee may fill out the "Subject Verification" section on page two after reviewing at least one of the individual's government- issued IDs.
 - o This document is valid for one year from the original signature date.
- Disclosure and Acknowledgment Form
 - o All required individuals must print their name, sign and date this page.
- Release Authorization Form
 - O All required individuals should fill in all fields on page one. However, please sign page one (1) in front of notary public as page two (2) must be notarized. This document is valid for one year from the original signature date.



These forms can be found on the Commission's website. Once all forms are completed by each required individual, they should be returned to the applicant. The applicant should scan each individuals' documents and government-issued identification card as one file, upload the file into the application, and label appropriately.

License Application—Management and Operations Profile Section

The Management and Operations Profile section, commonly referred to as the MOP, provides the Commission with a snapshot of the applicants' approach to operating the ME or MTC. The information required as part of this section is an indicator that the applicant understands the legal requirements to operate an ME, including the Commission's regulations, has plans that are specific to the applicant's license type, location and scale. and will be able to operate in a lawful manner.

Business Information, Articles of Organization, and Bylaws

All applicants must demonstrate that their proposed business is registered to do business in the Commonwealth as a domestic business corporation or another domestic business entity. Required items will include the following:

- Business name;
- Massachusetts Business Identification number;
- Articles of Organization;
- Bylaws (or the business' operating agreement in cases of limited liability companies or other applicable entity structure); and
- Doing-business-as names.

Please note that all required documents should be in the name of the entity applying for licensure.

Certificates of Good Standing

All applicants must submit certificates of good standing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Department of Revenue, and Department of Unemployment Assistance. All certificates should be dated within 90 days of the license application being submitted.

Please note that the applicant will be required to have employees in order to register and receive a certificate of good standing from Department of Unemployment Assistance. If an applicant does not have employees, an attestation to that effect will be accepted in lieu of the certification of good standing from the Department of Unemployment Assistance only. Please note that all required documents should be in the name of the entity applying for licensure.



Business Plan, Liability Insurance Plan, & Proposed Timeline

All applicants are required to submit a detailed business plan for the operation of the ME or MTC. The plan should only include the official business name, doing-business-as name, and branding name of their products. Additionally, the plan should be tailored the types of license(s) the applicant is seeking from the Commission. Some information that could be included in the plan is revenue and cost projections, company overview, and operational plan.

All applicants are required to submit a plan for obtaining liability insurance that satisfies the regulatory requirements. Applicants do not have to obtain any insurance policies until licensed. However, each applicant is required demonstrate in their plan that they will obtain, once licensed, a policy that shall include general liability and product liability insurance coverage of no less than \$1 million per occurrence and \$2 million in aggregate annually. The deductible for each policy can be no higher than \$5,000 per occurrence.

All applicants are required to submit a proposed timeline for achieving operation of their proposed ME or MTC. The timeline should include information and projected dates about actions or events that will occur after the application is issued a provisional license. For example, projected timelines could include dates relating to the building or renovation of a structure, installation of security and other equipment, building or construction permits, special permits, hiring of staff, and other milestones.

Summary of Operating Plans, Policies, and Procedures

All applicants must submit certain plans, policies, and procedures related to operating an ME and/or MTC. These plans, policies, and procedures should be specifically drafted to comply with the Commission's regulations and guidance documents. The table below provides a list of required plans, policies, and procedures for applicants and relevant sections of the Commission regulations associated with them. Please note that the regulations associated with these plan, policies, and procedures are not designed to be an exhaustive list.

FYI—For Your Information

Security regulations have been updated to include specific requirements relating to cash handling. Applicants and licensees shall include compliant cash handling procedures in their summary of security plans. Cash handling requirements are located in 935 CMR 500.110(7) (adult-use) and 501.110(7) (medical-use).



Plan	Applies To	Adult Regulations	Medical Regulation
Security	All applicants	935 CMR 500.110	935 CMR 501.110
Prevention of Diversion	All applicants	Plan compliant with requirements in 935 CMR 500.000.	Plan compliant with requirements in 935 CMR 501.000.
Storage	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(11)	935 CMR 501.105(11)
Transportation	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(13)	935 CMR 501.105(13)
Inventory	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(8)	935 CMR 501.105(8)
Quality Control and Testing Procedures	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(3); 500.160	935 CMR 501.105(3); 501.160
Personnel Policies	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(1)	935 CMR 501.105(1)
Dispensing Procedures	Marijuana Retailers, MTCs, Marijuana Delivery Operators, and Social Consumption Establishments	935 CMR 500.140	935 CMR 501.140
Recordkeeping Procedures	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(1); 500.105(8); 500.105(9)	935 CMR 501.105(1); 501.105(8); 501.105(9)
Maintenance of Financial Records	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(9); 500.140	935 CMR 501.105(9); 501.140
Detailed Description of Qualifications and Intended Trainings for Agents	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(2)	935 CMR 501.105(2)



Energy Compliance Plan	All applicants	935 CMR 500.105(15) and applicable guidance documents	935 CMR 501.105(15) and applicable guidance documents
Restricting Access to Individuals 21 or Older	Adult-use applicants	Plan compliant with requirements in 935 CMR 500.000.	N/A

FYI—For Your Information

Energy compliance regulations have been updated and now require all applicants to submit plans in their initial application for licensure. In-depth guidance documents and checklists are available on the Commission's website to assist applicants with complying with this requirement.

Diversity Plan

Applicants for licensure as an ME or MTC shall submit a Diversity Plan as part of its Management and Operations Profile. Diversity Plans shall be designed to promote equity among people of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people; women, veterans, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ people, in the operation of the ME or MTC.

The plan shall outline the goals, programs, and measurements the ME or MTC will pursue once provisionally licensed. All goals should be measurable and quantifiable. An example of measurable goals associated with a Diversity Plan could include the following:

The applicant plans to have a staff comprised of 60% women, 50% people of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people, 25% veterans, 10% persons with disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+ people.

Upon renewal, the licensee will be required to report, at a minimum, detailed, demonstrative, and quantifiable proof of the establishment's efforts, progress, and success of its approved plan.





FYI—For Your Information

Please note that additional in-depth guidance is available on the Commission's website for applicants and licensees to comply with the Diversity Plan requirement.

License Application—Additional Requirements for Certain License Types

Applicants applying for certain license types may need to supply additional documentation, plans, policies, or procedures specific to the requested license type. This information is required in addition to the application requirements mandated for all applicants. For example, applicants applying to become Marijuana Cultivators need to submit an operational plan for the cultivation of marijuana as well all other operational plans, policies, and procedures outlined in the application for licensure.

MTCs

Applicants for licensure as an MTC shall include the following plans, policies, and procedures in the Management and Operations Profile section:

- 1. Plan to provide reduced cost or free Marijuana to patients with documented verified financial hardship;
- 2. A plan to comply with delivery regulations, if applicable;
- 3. Operational plan for the cultivation of marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 501.120, including pesticide use; and
- 4. A list of all products that applicant plans to produce with the following information:
 - a. Description of types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors of products;
 - b. Methods of production;
 - c. Safety plan for the manufacture and production of products in compliance with 935 CMR 501.130; and
 - d. Sample of any unique identifying mark that will appear on the product.

FYI—For Your Information

Applicants that apply to become MTCs, Marijuana Product Manufacturers, Marijuana Microbusinesses, and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives are required to provide a description of the products they plan to produce in the Management and Operations Profile section of the application. The list of products should specifically describe and identify types, forms, shapes,



colors, and flavors.

Please note that "name brands" not under the control of the applicant or licensee should not be used.

Example: A rectangular, edible, chocolate bar (other flavors will include milk chocolate).

Marijuana Cultivators

Applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Cultivator shall include an operational plan for the cultivation of marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 500.120 in its application's Management and Operations Profile section. Please note that cultivation facilities are required to submit more information regarding their energy impact than other license types.

Craft Marijuana Cooperatives

Applicants for licensure as a Craft Marijuana Cooperative shall include the following information in its Application of Intent:

- 1. Evidence of residency within the Commonwealth for the members or shareholders associated with the application for a period of 12 consecutive months prior to the date of application;
- 2. Evidence of the cooperative's organization as an LLC, LLP, or cooperative corporation under the laws of the Commonwealth;
- 3. Evidence that one member has filed a Schedule F (Form 1040), Profit or Loss for Farming, within the past five (5) years, or that an agreement to lease land wholly owned by a person or entity that has filed a Schedule F (Form 1040) within the past five (5) years; and
- 4. Evidence that the cooperative is organized to operate consistently with the Seven Cooperative Principles established by the International Cooperative Alliance in 1995.

In addition to the above requirements, applicants for licensure as a Craft Marijuana Cooperative shall include the following information in its Management and Operations Profile:

- 1. Operational plan for the cultivation of marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 500.120; and
- 2. A list of all products the applicant plans to produce with the following information:
 - a. Description of types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors of products;
 - b. Methods of production;
 - c. Safety plan for the manufacturing and production of products in compliance with 935 CMR 500.130; and
 - d. Sample of any unique identifying mark (product logo) that will appear on the product.



Marijuana Product Manufacturers

Applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Product Manufacturer shall include the following information in its Management and Operations Profile:

- 1. A detailed description of the applicant's proposed plan for obtaining marijuana from licensed MEs; and
- 2. A list of all products the applicant plans to produce with the following information:
 - a. Description of types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors of products;
 - b. Methods of production;
 - c. Safety plan for the manufacturing and production of products in compliance with 935 CMR 500.130; and
 - d. Sample of any unique identifying mark (product logo) that will appear on the product.

Marijuana Microbusinesses

Applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Microbusiness shall include in its Application of Intent evidence of residency within the Commonwealth for a majority of the members or executives associated with the application for a period of 12 consecutive months prior to the date of application.

In addition to the above requirement, applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Microbusiness shall include the following information in its Management and Operations Profile:

- 1. Operational plan for the cultivation of marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 500.120 (if cultivating marijuana); and
- 2. A list of all products the applicant plans to produce with the following information (if performing product manufacturing operations):
 - a. Description of types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors of products;
 - b. Methods of production;
 - c. Safety plan for the manufacturing and production of products in compliance with 935 CMR 500.130;
 - d. Sample of any unique identifying mark (product logo) that will appear on the product; and
- 3. A detailed description of the applicant's proposed plan for obtaining marijuana from licensed MEs (if only performing product manufacturing operations); and
- 4. If seeking a Delivery Endorsement, a detailed description of the applicant's proposed plan to be compliant with 935 CMR 500.145: *Additional Operating Requirements for Delivery of Marijuana and Marijuana Products to Consumers*.

Marijuana Retailers

Applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Retailer shall include a detailed description of the applicant's



proposed plan for obtaining marijuana from licensed MEs in the Management and Operations Profile section.

Independent Testing Laboratories

If available, applicants for licensure as an Independent Testing Laboratory ("ITL") shall include their ISO 17025:2017 certification from a third-party accrediting body that is a signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation Mutual Recognition Arrangement in the Management and Operations Profile section.

If an applicant for an ITL is unable to procure their ISO 17025:2017 certification prior to provisional licensure, then the applicant will be required to provide this ISO certification before being granted a final license by the Commission. This documentation may be provided to Commission staff upon inspection.

Marijuana Courier

The Marijuana Courier application is divided into two distinct sections to allow for the submission of initial application material up front. These two sections are the "Pre-certification application" and the "Provisional License application" respectively (more on this in the next section, below).

Applicants for licensure as a Marijuana Courier shall include the following in the Provisional License application's Application of Intent section:

- 1. Disclosure and documentation regarding any delivery agreement between the applicant and Marijuana Retailer; and
- 2. Disclosure and documentation regarding any agreement between the applicant and a Third-Party Technology Platform Provider.

When applying for a Marijuana Courier license, applicants may not yet have delivery agreements with Marijuana Retailers or agreements with Third-Party Platform Providers. If applicants do not have these agreements during the application process, they do not need to provide this information. However, please note that all applicants and licensees must notify the Commission of any agreements within five (5) business days of any agreement being made.

Additionally, Marijuana Courier applicants shall include a detailed summary of its delivery plan and procedures in compliance with 935 CMR 500.145 in the Management and Operations Profile section.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

Some differences between deliveries performed for adult- and medical-use purposes:

- MTCs may deliver, after approval, to registered patients and caregivers as part of their license;
- Adult-use consumers shall be pre-verified by a Marijuana Retailer prior to being eligible for delivery;
- Adult-use deliveries can only occur in the (1) city/town where the delivery licensee is licensed, (2) city/town that allows for retail of marijuana, and (3) city/town that has notified the Commission that delivery may occur within its borders;
- Registered agents performing adult-use deliveries shall wear body cameras at all times outside of the delivery vehicle while delivering marijuana. All adult-use consumers shall be notified of this requirement at the time of order, on proof of order, and at the residence.

Marijuana Delivery Operator

The Marijuana Delivery Operator application is divided into two distinct sections to allow for the submission of initial application material up front. These two sections are the "Pre-certification application" and the "Provisional License application" respectively (more on this in the next section, below).

Applicants for licensure as a Delivery Operator shall include the following in the Pre-Certification application:

- 1. A delivery plan that demonstrates compliance with 935 CMR 500.146;
- 2. A plan to obtain Marijuana and Marijuana Products;

Applicants for licensure as a Delivery Operator shall include the following in the Provisional License application's Provisional License application:

- 1. Any documentation and information pertaining to agreements with Third-Party Technology Platforms;
- 2. A detailed plan for White Labeling, if applicable, which should include at a minimum: the image or logo to be used as part of the label and whether the applicant or the Marijuana Establishment will be the one to affix the label.



Social Consumption Establishment

Applicants for licensure as a Social Consumption Establishment shall include the following plans, policies, and procedures as part of the Management and Operations Profile section of the Pre-Certification application:

- 1. Plan to prevent consumers from bringing marijuana and marijuana products onto the premises;
- 2. Disposal procedures for unsold and unconsumed marijuana products;
- 3. Procedures to ensure that consumers are not overserved;
- 4. Procedures to educate consumers about the risk of impairment and penalties for operating under the influence;
- 5. Operational plan to ensure the ME makes a diligent effort to assist impaired customers in finding means of transportation and is tailored to the ME's geographical region;
- 6. If vaporization or other non-smoking forms of consumption involving heat are permitted indoors, plans and building plans to ensure the following:
 - a. Consumption area involving heat takes place isolated from other areas, separated by walls and a secure door, with access only from the ME;
 - b. Employees have access to a smoke-free, vapor-free area;
 - c. A ventilation system that directs smoke vapor from the consumption area to the outside of the building through a filtration system sufficient to remove vapor, consistent with all applicable building codes and ordinances, and adequate to eliminate odor at the property line;
- 7. Procedures to ensure no sales occur within the consumption area;
- 8. Procedures to ensure employees monitor the consumption from a smoke-free, vapor-free area including, but not limited to, an employee monitoring the exit of the ME;
- 9. Procedures to ensure that smoking as defined by M.G.L. c. 270 §22 is prohibited indoors; and
- 10. Procedures to ensure sanitary practices in compliance with 105 CMR 590 are utilized.

License Application for Marijuana Couriers, Marijuana Delivery Operators, and Social Consumption Establishments

The license application for Marijuana Couriers, Marijuana Delivery Operators and Social Consumption Establishments will vary from all other license applications and consist of two parts: (1) Pre-Certification Application and (2) Provisional License Application. All information and documentation required of all license applicants will be required but at different parts of the application.

FYI—For Your Information



The Commission may select up to 12 municipalities for participation in the pilot program. An interested municipality may submit an application to participate in the program which is signed by the city or town's contracting authority. In selecting a city or town, the Commission may take into consideration factors including, but not limited to, the geographic location, socioeconomic characteristics, and population size of municipal applicants. The Social Consumption Establishment application will be made available once at least six (6) municipalities are selected to participate in the pilot program. Please note that a legislative measure must be taken prior to the Commission starting this program.

FYI—For Your Information

Some limitations on what can be served or what can occur within a Social Consumption Establishment pursuant to 935 CMR 500.141:

- No more than 20 mg of $\Delta 9$ -THC can be sold to a single consumer in a single day;
- Alcohol and tobacco products cannot be sold or consumed on the premises;
- Sale of edible marijuana products is limited to pre-packaged Shelf-stable items (no perishable products);
- Sale of food pre-packaged, shelf-stable, and drink items other than edible marijuana products is allowed if the ME acquires all necessary licenses and permits to do so; and
- May sell marijuana accessories after receiving permission from the Commission.

Pre-Certification Application

The Pre-Certification Application will require applicants to submit limited information that demonstrates a propensity to successfully operate a ME. The applicant will have to disclose information pertaining to proposed ownership and control, background information, and operating policies and procedures commonly required for all license types. The application fee will be required unless waived under the regulations. However, in the Pre-Certification Application, applicants will not be prompted or required to submit the following information:

- 1. Disclosure of location and property interest;
- 2. Certification of Host Community Agreement;
- 3. Community Outreach Meeting documentation;
- 4. Proof of a bond or escrow;



- 5. Information about capital resources; and
- 6. Plan to remain compliant with local ordinances.

Once a Pre-Certification Application is submitted, it will be reviewed for compliance with Commission's regulations. Background check and fingerprinting is not required at this stage of the application. If approved by the Commission, the applicant will be considered pre-certified—this approval does not convey any type of license or guarantee licensure. However, upon approval, the applicant will be sent a dated notice and a copy of their Pre-Certification Application.

Provisional License Application

Within 24 months of an applicant being pre-certified, the applicant must submit a Provisional License Application. No application fee is required for this part of the application. In this part of the application, the applicant must update all previously provided information. The applicant will be required to submit all other required information and documentation usually disclosed in all other license applications.

Once a Provisional License Application is submitted, it will be reviewed for compliance with Commission's regulations. Background check and fingerprinting will be required at this stage of the application and the host community will be requested to respond as to the proposed ME's compliance with local ordinances or bylaws. If approved by the Commission, the applicant will be required to pay the associated license fee pursuant to the regulations and be issued a provisional license.

FYI—For Your Information

Social Consumption Establishment licenses shall be exclusively available to Economic Empowerment Applicants, Social Equity Participants, Microbusinesses, and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives for 36 months from when the first commence operations approval is provided to a Social Consumption licensee.

• Marijuana Courier and Marijuana Delivery Operator licenses shall be exclusively available to Economic Empowerment Applicants and Social Equity Participants for 36 months from when the first commence operations approval is provided to a Marijuana Delivery Operator licensee

Order of Review

The Commission reviews all license applications that have been fully submitted. Once fully submitted, a license application enters the queue to be reviewed based on the date and time submitted and whether



the application is a priority, expedited, or general application. Applications are reviewed in that order, with priority applications first, followed by expedited applications and finally general applications.

Priority Applications

Previously designated MTC Priority Applicants or Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants shall have priority status; consequently, they are reviewed before other applications. Priority status, however, is not available to new applicants as dictated by statute. The Commission reviews priority applications on an alternating basis, beginning with the first-in-time-application received from either an MTC Priority Applicant or Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant. The Commission has adopted a policy that an applicant can only utilize its MTC Priority status for an adult-use application where the proposed ME will be colocated with the MTC and perform the same type of operations (retail, product manufacturing or cultivation). Additionally, MTC Priority status is only conferred to adult-use applications where the MTC license is still active at the time of submission of the adult-use application(s) and at the same location as the MTC operation.

Expedited Applications

After priority applicants, the Commission will review expedited applications by the date and time the application was fully submitted. Expedited applications are those submitted by Social Equity Participants, Marijuana Microbusiness applicants, Craft Marijuana Cooperative applicants, Independent Testing Laboratory applicants, Outdoor Marijuana Cultivator applicants, minority-owned businesses, women-owned businesses, and veteran-owned businesses. Certain requirements exist for applicants seeking an expedited review:

- Applicants for Marijuana Microbusinesses, Craft Marijuana Cooperatives, Independent Testing Laboratories, and Outdoor Marijuana Cultivators may use expedited review for those specific applications only and no other type of license application;
- A Social Equity Participant must possess 10% or more of equity in a proposed ME for the application to receive expedited review.
 - Please note that Social Equity Participants may receive expedited review if 10% ownership is demonstrated but will be unable to be eligible for a fee waiver if under 50% ownership;
- A minority-owned business, women-owned business, and/or veteran-owned business must disclose this designation in their license application and either (1) be certified as that specific type of business with the Supplier Diversity Office or (2) signed up for the Supplier Diversity Office's required business class and complete and upload the Expedited Review Affidavit into their license application. Certification as minority- owned business, women-owned business, and/or veteran-owned business by the Supplier Diversity Office will be required prior to obtaining a final license. For more information pertaining to obtaining certification from the



Supplier Diversity Office can be located here: https://www.mass.gov/supplier-diversity-office.

Please note that businesses intending to be certified by the Supplier Diversity Office can
qualify for expedited review by demonstrating certain requirements. However, they will
not be eligible for any fee waivers unless actually certified by the Supplier Diversity
Office.

General Applications

When no priority or expedited application is awaiting initial review, all other general applications are reviewed by the date and time the application was fully submitted.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

While adult-use applications will be reviewed based, in part, on the type of priority or expedited status they receive, MTC applications are reviewed solely by the date and time the application is submitted. No priority or expedited review is given to MTC applicants.

Responding to a Request for Information (RFI)

Once a license application is received, it is reviewed for compliance with the Commission's regulations. If any part of the application does not comply with the Commission's regulations, the applicant will receive a notice requesting further information, commonly referred to as an RFI. All RFI notices will contain information on any deficiency or non-compliant issue identified with a brief narrative.

Applicants will receive RFI notices to the business email address identified in their application. Additional notifications will be sent through MassCIP to the user's account when the license application or relevant section of the license application is reopened. Applicants should endeavor to cure the deficiency or non-compliant issue in a timely manner and make no additional changes to the application that were not requested. However, if additional changes are made to the application, the applicant should send notification to licensing@cccmass.com.

Once all deficiencies and non-compliant issues have been cured, and all necessary documentation and information has been uploaded, the applicant should resubmit the license application or relevant section. The Commission will review the new information in a timely manner. The application will be deemed complete if it is now found to be in compliance with the Commission's regulations, otherwise, an additional RFI notice will be sent following a supplemental review.



Adult/Medical License Application Difference

All adult-use applications are processed through MassCIP. MTC license applications are also now only available through MassCIP.

Application Deemed Complete

The Commission will send applicants a notice when their application is deemed complete. The notice will contain the following information:

- Payment instructions for background checks to be performed;
- Fingerprint instructions for all required individuals;
- Notification that the application, to the extent permitted by law, has been sent to the municipality (in which the ME will be located) requesting a response as to the ME/MTCs compliance with local ordinances or bylaws within 60 days; and
- Notification that the Commission will consider the application for a provisional license within 90 days.

Applicants should follow all instructions within this notice in a timely manner. Additionally, applicants are required to keep all information within their application current and can do so by notifying licensing@cccmass.com. Please note that if a material change occurs after an application has been deemed complete, the Commission may deem the application incomplete pending further review.

During this 90-day window, the Commission will review all background check and fingerprint reports for suitability in compliance with 935 CMR 500.800, 500.801, 501.800, and 501.801, as applicable. Additionally, the Commission will review any response sent by the municipality as it relates to local compliance. If any information received presents compliance issues, the applicant will be notified. If all information received is in compliance, the application will be recommended for provisional licensure.

FYI—For Your Information

Municipalities most likely have local licensing requirements, such as special permits, that are required to operate a ME or MTC. Some municipalities require satisfaction of local licensing



requirements prior to provisional licensure— applicants are expected to ensure any local licensing requirements are satisfied during the application phase. However, as is frequently the case, special permits, building permits, and other local licensing requirements are required prior to final licensure and will be verified by Commission staff during the inspectional phase and prior to final licensure and the licensee being able to operate.

License Process

All applicants seeking licensure as a ME or MTC follow the same licensing process. Applicants first submit a license application for the particular license they are seeking. The license application process was discussed in prior sections. The upcoming sections discuss what occurs and is required once the Commission approves an applicant for a provisional license.

Provisional Licensure

Once an applicant is approved for a provisional license, they are considered to be provisionally approved. The provisionally approved applicant shall submit the required license fee payment within 90 days. Failure to pay the applicable license fee within the required time frame shall result in the license approval expiring. If this occurs, a new license application will need to be completed pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101 and will require Commission approval.

All provisionally approved applicants will receive a notice following the approval of the Commission via its business email address contained within its application explaining next steps which include the following:

- The process for remitting the required license fee;
- Information pertaining to requesting an architectural review, if applicable;
- The need to submit applications for all current executives, directors, board members, managers, employees, and volunteers as registered agents; and
- The need to submit a request for a Post-Provisional License Inspection once certain requirements have been fulfilled. A form to request this inspection will be included in your provisional license notice.

Licensees may request a Post-Provisional License Inspection once the following has been completed:

- All construction and renovations have been completed;
- All local permits, certificates of occupancy, local licenses, and approvals have been obtained;



- All current executives, directors, board members, managers, employees, and volunteers have been registered as agents;
- All conditions of the provisional license have been complied with and ready for review by Commission staff; and
- Full compliance exists as to security, storage, transportation, and all other operating procedures, as applicable.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

The process for registering agents is different for MEs than for MTCs. First, all provisionally approved applicants must remit their required license fee. MEs must have their license fee approved in MassCIP. Once approved, licensees may start completing agent registration applications using their license number through MassCIP. MTCs must complete the onboarding documents sent with their provisional license notice and follow all instructions. Once principles have been assigned for your MTC, you will be able to complete agent registration applications through MMJOS.

Once the licensee is ready for a Post-Provisional License Inspection, they will complete the request form sent with the provisional license notice and follow the instructions. Commission staff will call and schedule the inspection—this inspection will be an announced inspection. On the day of the inspection, Commission staff will review the licensee's compliance with applicable regulations. Please note that the Commission has extended priority and expedited scheduling of inspections to licensees who qualify as they did for their application.

After an inspection in which a violation is observed or a violation is otherwise determined to have occurred, the Commission shall issue a deficiency statement citing every violation identified, a copy of which shall be left with or sent to the licensee. A licensee shall submit to the Commission a written plan of correction for any violations cited in the deficiency statement issued within ten (10) business days after receipt of the statement. A plan shall state, with respect to each deficiency, the specific corrective step(s) to be taken, a timetable for such steps, and the date by which compliance will be achieved. The Commission shall review the plan of correction and shall notify the licensee of either the acceptance or rejection of the plan. An unacceptable plan must be amended and resubmitted within five (5) business days after receipt of such notice. Commission staff will schedule and perform a re-inspection until full compliance is achieved.

It is important to note that provisional licensees shall not possess marijuana for adult- or medical-use



operations prior to being approved for a final license.

Final Licensure

Once the licensee is in full compliance following a Post-Provisional License Inspection, the ME and/or MTC will be recommended to the Commission for a final license. The Commission may approve the issuance of a final license subject to conditions which may include, but not be limited to, the ability to possess marijuana and marijuana products as well as perform operations for the particular license. All final licensees will be prohibited from selling marijuana and marijuana products to other licensees, and to consumers in the case of Marijuana Retailers and certain other licenses, until receiving permission to commence full operations.

All final licensees will receive a notice following the approval of the Commission via its business email address contained within its application explaining next steps which include the following:

- The need for the licensee to have key personnel successfully complete all Metrc training and be granted access into the Metrc system if not already completed;
- Enter beginning inventory into Metrc;
- Begin tagging all plants;
- Ensure all labeling and packaging for finished marijuana and marijuana products are in compliance;
- Ensure all marijuana and marijuana products that are packaged for sale to consumers have traceable lab results and such results were completed by an Independent Testing Laboratory approved by the Commission for licensure;
- Submit applications for all employees and volunteers as registered agents on an ongoing basis;
- Ensure that the licensee has registered for Marijuana Retail Tax with the Department of Revenue (for Marijuana Retailers, Marijuana Delivery Operators, and Microbusiness utilizing a Delivery Endorsement only); and
- The need to submit a request for a Post-Final License Inspection once certain requirements have been fulfilled. A form to request this inspection will be included in your final license notice.

Once the licensee is ready for a Post-Final License Inspection, they will complete the request form sent with the final license notice and follow the instructions. Commission staff will call and schedule the inspection—this inspection will be an announced inspection. Please note that the Commission has extended priority and expedited scheduling of inspections to licensees who qualify as they did for their application.

On the day of the inspection, Commission staff will review the licensee's compliance with applicable regulations. The procedures for deficiency statements and plans of correction that were stated in the



section above also apply to this inspection.

Commence Operations

Once the licensee is in full compliance following a Post-Final License Inspection, the ME and/or MTC will be recommended to the Commission to commence operations. Once approved, the licensee will receive a notice to commence operations. Once received, the licensee shall provide written notice to the Commission three (3) full calendar days prior to the date operations will commence. Licensees may begin wholesaling products and certain licensees may begin selling marijuana and marijuana products to consumers and patients.

V. License Renewals

All licensees that have been approved by the Commission for at least a provisional license must renew their license annually. The licensee must access the Massachusetts Cannabis Industry Portal ("MassCIP") using their username and password. A license becomes active once it is provisionally approved by the Commission and the license fee is received and processed. A license expires one (1) year from the date it becomes active. A renewal application will become available to the licensee in MassCIP 120 days prior to the expiration of their license. Licensees are required to submit an application for renewal at least 60 days prior to the license expiring.

Adult/Medical License Application Difference

MTCs that are, at a minimum, provisionally licensed, must submit their renewal application and required renewal fee outside of MassCIP for the near future. Forms with instructions are available on the Commission's website.

Once principles have been assigned for your MTC, you will be able to complete agent registration applications through MMJOS.

License Renewal Requirements

The renewal application will require all licensees to provide updated information for the following:

- The licensee's contact information, if necessary;
- The business information for entities currently on the license;
- The personal information for individuals currently on the license, including the removal of



- individuals and entities that are no longer associated with the license;
- The information pertaining to individual interest in cannabis-related businesses and licenses in Massachusetts and other jurisdictions;
- Proof that the licensee requested from the host community the records of any costs imposed on the city or town that are reasonably related to the operation of the ME or MTC. The licensee's request shall state that, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94G, § 3(d), any cost to a city or town imposed by the operation of a ME or MTC shall be documented and considered a public record as defined by M.G.L. c. 4, § 7, cl. 26. Documentation shall include the request and the substantive response from the city or town that includes the actual and anticipated expenses resulting from the operation. If the city or town does not submit a substantive response, the licensee shall provide an attestation to that effect.
- The licensee's plan to remain compliant with local ordinances or bylaws to specifically include all information pertaining to zoning districts, special permits, building permits, certificates of occupancy, and any other local requirements;
- New background disclosures for all individuals and entities associated with the license;
- Certificates of good standing from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Massachusetts Secretary of the Commonwealth, and Massachusetts Department of Unemployment Assistance dated within 90 days;
- If the licensee is not operational yet, a timeline to become operational which includes the following: outstanding local approvals, operational impediments, and specific projected date(s) as to when any issue will be resolved, and the establishment will become operational.

Additionally, licensees are required to upload the following:

- Updated summaries of plans, policies, and procedures relating to security, transportation, prevention of diversion, quality control and testing, dispensing, inventory, and others that were previously required;
- Detailed, demonstrative, and quantifiable proof of the establishment's efforts, progress, and success of its approved Positive Impact Plan;
- Detailed, demonstrative, and quantifiable proof of the establishment's efforts, progress, and success of its approved Diversity Plan;
- Provide an updated Positive Impact Plan;
- Provide an updated Diversity Plan, and
- Finally, renewal applicants will be required to pay the required license fee.

The renewal application will require certain licensees to provide the following:

• Cultivators and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives must provide documentation and information that



demonstrates that the cultivation operation has sold more than 70% of its product that has been fully harvested within the preceding six months. Cultivators and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives may have their tier level reduced if, based on the dry weight analysis, they have sold less than 70% of the amount of marijuana cultivated and cured to Product Manufacturers or Retailers. When determining whether to reduce a licensee's tier, additional factors may be considered:

- Cultivation and production history and whether the inventory suffered a catastrophic event;
- o Transfer, sales, and excise tax payment history;
- o Existing inventory;
- o Sales contracts; and
- O Any other relevant factor to ensure responsible management.
- Cultivators, Craft Marijuana Cooperatives, and Microbusinesses shall provide the following: (1) a report of its energy and water usage over the previous 12 months and (2) a new or updated energy compliance letter prepared by a Massachusetts Licensed Professional Engineer or registered Architect along with supporting documentation.
- Product Manufacturers, Microbusinesses, and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives must provide detailed information regarding the products they produced. Required information includes the following: pictures of their products, pictures of the product labels, disclosure of type of product, and description of product including types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors.
- Colocated Marijuana Retailers shall submit the following information pertaining to patient supply of marijuana:
 - o The licensee's policy and the procedures (e.g., data points, formulas) relied on to determine what constitutes a sufficient quantity and variety of marijuana products consistent with 935 CMR 500.140(10); and
 - The licensee's policy and procedures for determining what qualifies as a reasonable substitution for a medical marijuana product under 935 CMR 500.140(10) and its policy for communicating reliance on the substitution to patients.

Licensees will not be able to update certain information in the renewal application as the Commission has alternative ways to make these changes:

- Licensees will not be able to add individuals or entities that will obtain ownership or control over the establishment;
- Licensees will not be able to change the location of the establishment; and
- Licensees will not be able to change the name of the establishment.

Once the license fee has been paid, and all the required information has been provided and updated, the licensee will be able to submit the renewal application.



The Commission may request additional information to determine whether the renewal application should be granted or denied. The Commission may deny a renewal application for any basis set forth in 935 CMR 500.450, including but not limited to, failure to provide complete, accurate, or truthful information.

License Renewal Questions & Answers

- 1. How is the license expiration date calculated?

 Once an applicant is approved by the Commission for a provisional license, they must pay their license fee. The date the Commission approved the license fee payment is when the license starts. It expires one year from the date the fee is approved.
- 2. How do I know when my license expires?

 There are several ways to find out when your license will expire:
 - The licensee will receive a notice approximately 150 days prior to the license expiration date.
 - If you received a final license, the expiration date of your license will be on the upper right corner of the license certificate you received.
 - If you log into the MassCIP, you can access your license information which will show the expiration date.
- 3. Why can't I add individuals or entities in the renewal application? The process to add individuals or entities onto a license is a separate process provided for in the regulations. This process requires conducting background and fingerprint checks by a vendor. Additionally, it requires the Commission to review individuals and entities for the purpose of compliance with license limits.
- 4. Why can't I change the address of the establishment in the renewal application? The process to change the location of an establishment is a separate process provided for in the regulations. This process requires an in-depth analysis of property interest documentation, conducting a Community Outreach Meeting, executing a Host Community Agreement, and requiring municipal notification and response.
- 5. Why can't I change the name of the establishment in the renewal application?

 The process to change the name of an establishment is a separate process provided for in the regulations. This process requires the submission of proposed articles of incorporation and notification to the Secretary of the Commonwealth once the change is approved by the



Commission. This notification will require additional approval by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

6. What will I need to show for documentation to demonstrate the reasonable progress or success of my Positive Impact Plan?

Licensees are required to have a positive impact on disproportionately affected areas. All licensees submit a Positive Impact Plan in their initial application that outline the goals, programs, and measurements they plan to implement. Licensees are then required to demonstrate the progress or success of those programs.

Licensees should utilize the measurements, and overall metrics, to demonstrate progress or success of each component of their plan. Documentation that may be submitted to demonstrate the progress or success include the following:

- Internal reports with verifiable data;
- Participant information and surveys;
- Service and vendor agreements;
- Employment reports;
- News articles;
- Third-Party documentation;
- Documentation of donations; and
- Other documentation.
- 7. What will I need to show for documentation to demonstrate the reasonable progress or success of my Diversity Plan?

Licensees are required to promote equity among women, people of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people, veterans, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ individuals. All licensees submit a Diversity Plan in their initial application that outline the goals, programs, and measurements they plan to implement or have implemented.

Licensees are then required to demonstrate the progress or success of those programs.

Licensees should utilize the measurements, and overall metrics, to demonstrate progress or success of each component of their plan. Documentation that may be submitted to demonstrate the progress or success include the following:

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- Internal reports with verifiable data;
- Service and vendor agreements;
- Employment reports;
- Employee surveys;



- Training materials
- Other documentation.
- 8. Why do I need to update the summaries of plan, policies, and procedures of the establishment? All licensees are required to update the information contained within its original application for licensure. Licensees must also keep and maintain standard operating procedures pursuant to the Commission's regulations. These standard operating procedures may be used to update these plans as long as the relevant sections are uploaded separately.
- 9. Do I need to have background checks and fingerprints for individuals and entities listed on the renewal application?
 - No. However, all individuals associated with the establishment must be registered as agents. The licensee is required to perform regular background checks on all agents.
- 10. What background information must I disclose for individuals and entities? All background information required under 935 CMR 500.101(1)(b)(3) and any other information that may have direct correlation to the suitability of individuals and entities must be disclosed.
- 11. What documentation must I provide to show that I sold more than 70% of our product during the past six months for my cultivation or Craft Marijuana Cooperative license?

 The Commission's regulations require documentation to demonstrate the amount of marijuana

cultivated and sold. Documentation that should be provided include the following:

- Metre report showing cultivation and production history including a statement of whether the
 plants or inventory suffered a catastrophic event since the issuance or last renewal of the
 license;
- Transfer, sales, and tax payment history;
- Existing inventory and inventory history;
- Sales contracts; and
- Any other factors or documentation relevant to ensuring responsible cultivation, production, and inventory management.
- 12. What if, under my cultivation license, I did not sell more than 70% of our product during the past six months?

The Commission may relegate, or reduce, your tier level.

13. Do I need to provide a full list of all products that we produce under a product manufacturer license?



Yes. You must disclose a full list of the names, types, forms, descriptions, and item pictures for all products produced.

- 14. How long are certificates of good standing valid for the renewal application?

 Certificates of good standing are valid for 90 days. The Commission will consider the certificate valid as long as it is not older than 90 days from the date the renewal application is submitted.
- 15. What if my license expires and I don't renew?

 The license is no longer valid, and the licensee must cease operations immediately.
- 16. Can I renew multiple licenses at once?

You may renew multiple licenses at once if they expire during the same time frame. Renewal applications become available 120 days prior to the expiration date and must be submitted no later than 60 days from the date the license expires. Regardless, each license must be renewed using a separate renewal application within the MassCIP.

- 17. What if I need to request a change in ownership or control, location, or name of the establishment when it is time to renew?You may submit the change request at the same time. However, the renewal of the license will take precedence.
- 18. Will I need an inspection prior to the renewal of my license?

 Commission staff conduct announced and unannounced inspections periodically. They may conduct an inspection, request documentation, or take other investigative action, as necessary.
- 19. What are my appeal rights if my license renewal is denied?

 You will receive written notice from the Commission if your renewal application is denied. You may request a hearing on the denial of your renewal application by submitting a request for hearing in writing within twenty-one (21) days after the effective date stated in the notice. Failure to timely request a hearing shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing before the Commission and final agency action of the Commission.

VI. License Changes

Once an applicant is at least provisionally licensed by the Commission, certain changes to a license shall be approved by the Commission before the change is effectuated. In order for one of the below changes to occur, an application for such change accompanied by the required fee, shall be sent to the



Commission for its consideration. Fees for the below changes are identified within this document. The changes that first require Commission approval include the following:

- Changes to ownership and/or control;
- Change of location;
- Change of name; and
- Change in structure.

The table below provides some clarification over these types of changes:

License Change	Regulatory Requirement	Additional Information
Ownership or Control	Prior to any change in ownership or control where a new Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control is to be added, the licensee shall submit a request for such change to the Commission.	All individuals and entities associated with this change will be required to undergo a background check and pay associated background checks fees when directed. Individuals will be required to undergo fingerprint checks when directed. Additional due diligence investigations may be conducted where deemed appropriate.
Location	Prior to changing its location, a licensee shall submit a request for such change to the Commission.	Once a change of location application has been deemed complete, the municipality in which the licensee plans to operate will be notified and given 60 days to respond as to the licensee's compliance with local ordinances or bylaws. This will occur even in the circumstances where the licensee is moving to a new location within the same municipality.



Name	Prior to changing its name, a licensee shall submit a request for such change to the Commission. Name change requests, and prior approval, shall apply to an establishment proposing a new or amending a current doing-business-as name.	
Structure	Prior to any modification, remodeling, expansion, reduction or other physical, non-cosmetic alteration of the MTC, the establishment shall submit a request for such change to the Commission.	

None of the above changes shall be permitted until approved by the Commission. Failure to obtain approval of such changes may result in a license being suspended, revoked, or deemed void.

Other changes to a licensee's application shall be reported to the Commission within five (5) business days pursuant to 935 CMR 500.104(5) and 935 CMR 501.104(5). Examples of such changes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Changes to contact information for the business or associated individuals and entities;
- Changes to plans, policies, and procedures; and
- Changes to hours of operation.

VII. Compliance and Enforcement

All licensees are required to remain in full compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Submission of a license application or issuance of a license constitutes consent for any inspection. In addition to the inspections that are conducted as part of the licensing process, licensees can expect any of the following to occur:

- Announced inspections;
- Unannounced inspections;
- Investigations related to complaints;
- Financial audits;



- Inspections related to the Commission's Secret Shopper Program; and
- Other inspections and investigations related to compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Licensees shall allow immediate access to the facility on being presented with photo identification documenting the Commission representative's affiliation with the Commission. The licensee shall immediately on request make available to the Commission all information that may be relevant to an inspection or investigation of an incident or a complaint. Commission staff has the authority to access to a licensee's papers, books, documents, records, correspondence, electronic communications, and other tangible things to examine and inspect.

If noncompliance remains, or if a risk to public safety, health, or welfare exists, the following enforcement actions may occur:

- Administrative holds related to products;
- Limitation on sales;
- Removal and prohibition of products;
- Quarantine of products;
- Cease and desist orders;
- Summary suspension orders;
- Orders to show cause;
- Suspension of a license;
- Revocation of a license:
- Denial of a renewal of license; and
- License being deemed void.

The above items are not an exhaustive list. Detailed information regarding administrative actions can be found in the Commission's regulations. If aggrieved, and where applicable, licensees may request a hearing pursuant to 935 CMR 500.500 and/or 935 CMR 501.500.

VIII. Appendix

Appendix A: Licensure Flow Chart



- License applications are submitted by applicants through MassCIP.
- License applications are reviewed based on status and date/time.
- Applicants shall submit all required information and documentation that

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complies with the Commission's regulations.

- Applicants may receive requests for additional information.
- All license applications will be reviewed within 60 days of submission.



- Applicants will receive a notice once their application is deemed complete.
- Applicants shall pay all background check fees and have all required individuals fingerprinted.
- The host community will receive notification and a copy of the application. The host community will be given 60 days to respond as to compliance with local ordinances or bylaws.
- The Commission will approve or deny the application for a provisional license within 90 days.



- Applicants will receive a notice once approved for a provisional license. The notice will contain next steps in the licensing process as well as a form to request an inspection when ready.
- Applicants will pay the required license fee and start registering agents.
- Inspection(s) of the ME/MTC will be performed to ensure compliance with the Commission's regulations.



- Licensees will receive a notice once approved for a final license. The notice will contain next steps in the licensing process as well as a form to request an inspection when ready.
- Licensees will begin entering product into Metrc, labeling and packaging product, and continue registering agents among fulfilling other requirements.
- Inspection(s) of the ME/MTC will be performed to ensure compliance with the Commission's regulations.



• The licensee will receive a notice stating they can commence operations.



• The licensee is subject to ongoing compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and to announced and unannounced inspections.

Appendix B: License Application Checklist

Application of Intent Section

- ☐ List of all Persons or Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control
- □ List of all persons or entities contributing capital resources and bank statement(s) or letter(s) from a financial institution for each person or entity contributing capital resources showing proof of funds dated within 60 days of submission of the application (MTC applicants are required to show a specific minimum amount of capital resources)
- Disclosure and documentation of any out-of-state or in-state marijuana-related business interests for any individual or entity associated with the application
- □ Disclosure of the proposed address of the ME along with property interest documentation
- □ Bond or Escrow Account
- ☐ Host Community Agreement Certification form
- □ Community Outreach Meeting Attestation Form with supporting documentation
- □ Plan to remain compliant with local zoning/ordinances
- □ Plan for Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People
- □ Specific Requirements for Certain License Types
 - Marijuana Microbusiness: evidence of MA residency for a majority of the members or executives
 - Oraft Marijuana Cooperative: evidence of MA residency for all members and shareholders, evidence of cooperative's business organization, evidence of one member filing a Schedule F (Form 1040) or an agreement to lease land owned by a person or entity that has filed a Schedule F within 5 years, and evidence of organization consistent with Seven Cooperative Principles
 - Marijuana Courier: disclosure and documentation of any delivery agreement with Marijuana Retailers and any agreement with a Third-Party Technology Platform Provider
 - o Marijuana Delivery Operator: disclosure and documentation of any delivery agreement with any Third-Party Technology Platform Provider



Background Check Section

- □ List of all individuals and entities that were entered in the Application of Intent.
- □ Disclosure of any past or pending criminal or civil actions, disciplinary actions, and denial of licensure for all individuals and entities.
- □ Submission of required documents for each individual: (1) valid government identification, (2) CORI Authorization Form, (3) Release and Authorization Form; and
- □ (4) Disclosure and Acknowledgment Form.

Management and Operations Profile Section

- □ Massachusetts Business Identification Number and any D/B/A information, if applicable
- □ Copy of Articles of Organization and Bylaws/Operating Agreement
- ☐ Certificate of Good Standing from the Department of Revenue, Secretary of the Commonwealth and Department of Unemployment Assistance
- □ Business Plan
- Proposed timeline to become operational
- □ Plan to obtain limited liability insurance
- □ Summaries of following Operating Plans, Policies, and Procedures:
 - Security Plan
 - o Inventory Plan
 - Storage Plan
 - Transportation Plan
 - Plan to Restrict Access to 21 Years of Age
 - Prevention of Diversion Plan
 - Quality Control and Testing Procedures
 - Personnel Policies
 - Record Keeping Policies
 - Maintenance of Financial Records Policy
 - Qualifications and Intended Training
 - Diversity Plan
 - Energy Compliance Plan
- □ Specific Requirements for Certain License Types
 - MTC: cultivation plan, list of products to be produced, methods of production, safety plan, and sample of unique identifying mark
 - o Marijuana Cultivator: cultivation plan
 - Marijuana Product Manufacturer: plan to obtain marijuana, list of products to be produced, methods of production, safety plan, and sample of unique identifying mark
 - Marijuana Retailer and Marijuana Delivery Operator: plan to obtain marijuana and marijuana products and dispensing plan



- Marijuana Microbusiness: cultivation plan (if cultivating), plan to obtain marijuana (if not cultivating), list of products to be produced, methods of production, safety plan, and sample of unique identifying mark (if producing)
- Craft Marijuana Cooperative: cultivation plan, list of products to be produced, methods of production, safety plan, and sample of unique identifying mark
- o Independent Testing Laboratory: ISO 17025:2017 certification
- o Marijuana Courier and Marijuana Delivery Operator: delivery plans
- Social Consumption Establishment: additional plans are required—please see guidance document.
- Proposed Hours of Operation (Delivery applicants should be aware of operational time restrictions)
- ☐ Emergency Contact(s)

Application Fee Section

□ Submit the required application fee

Questions?

If you have additional questions regarding this guidance on licensure, please contact the Commission at <u>Commission@CCCMass.com</u> or (774) 415-0200.







Cannabis Control Commission

Monthly Public Meeting

June 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. via Microsoft Teams Live





Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Chairman's Comments and Updates
- 3. Minutes for Approval
- 4. Executive Director's Report
- 5. Enforcement Actions
- 6. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
- 7. Staff Recommendations on Renewals
- 8. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
- 9. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
- 10. Commission Discussion and Votes
- 11. New Business that the Chair did not Anticipate at the Time of Posting
- 12. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment





Highlights from Licensing Data*

- 47 applications awaiting first review
- 33 applications for Commission consideration
- 40 applications awaiting 3rd party responses
- 38 applications awaiting supplemental review
- 91 Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification applications opened. Of those, 31 have been submitted and are under staff review.
- 94,453 certified active patients



^{*}Additional data available at the end of slide presentation



The totals below are all license applications received to date.

Туре	#
Pending	285
Withdrawn	871
Incomplete (Less than 4 packets submitted)	6,739
Denied	4
Approved: Delivery-Only Pre-Certification	65
Approved: Licenses	829
Total	8,793

^{*}Additional data available at the end of slide presentation



The totals below are number of licenses approved by category.

Туре	#
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	1
Marijuana Courier Provisional License	8
Independent Testing Laboratory	11
Marijuana Cultivator	250
Marijuana Microbusiness	20
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	189
Marijuana Research Facility	0
Marijuana Retailer	341
Marijuana Third Party Transporter	4
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	5
Total	829

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The totals below are number of licenses approved by stage.

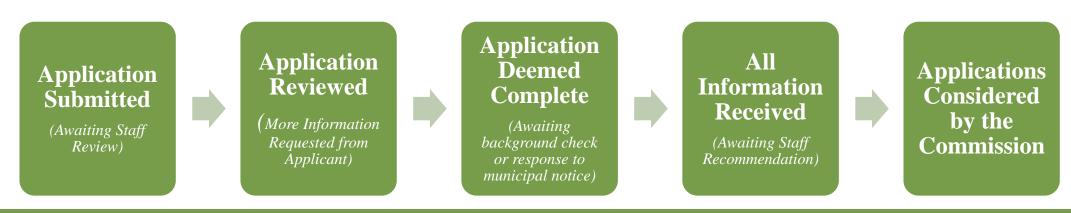
Туре	#
Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsement Microbusiness	64
Provisionally Approved	96
Provisional License	442
Final License	44
Commence Operations	248
Total	894

Provisionally approved means approved by the Commission but has not submitted license fee payment yet – provisional license has not started

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Status	#
Application Submitted: Awaiting Review	47
Application Reviewed: More Information Requested	166
Application Deemed Complete: Awaiting 3 rd Party Responses	40
All Information Received: Awaiting Staff Recommendation	33
Applications Considered by Commission (includes Delivery Pre-Cert)	898
Total	1,184



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The totals below are distinct license numbers that have submitted all required packets.

The 1,184 applications represent 659 separate entities

Туре	#
MTC Priority	259
Economic Empowerment Priority	72
Expedited Review	330
General Applicant	523
Total	1,184

Expedited Applications		
Expedited: License Type	53	
Expedited: Social Equity Participant	120	
Expedited: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	129	
Expedited: Two or More Categories	28	
Total	330	

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Of 894 applications approved by the Commission, the following applications have Economic Empowerment Priority Review, Social Equity Program Participant, and/or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status. Please note, applicants may hold one or more statuses.

Туре	Economic Empowerment	Social Equity Program	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness	18	49	7
Provisionally Approved	11	13	26
Provisional License	13	30	72
Final License	Ο	2	6
Commence Operations	5	5	19
Total	47	99	130

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TYPE	PENDING APPLICATION	PRE-CERTIFIED/ ENDORSEMENT	INITIAL LICENSE DENIED	PROVISIONALLY APPROVED	PROVISIONAL LICENSE	FINAL LICENSE	COMMENCE OPERATION	T O T A L
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	4	-	0	0	1	0	0	5
Delivery-Only Provisional License (Part 2)	12	-	0	0	7	1	0	20
Delivery Pre-Certification (Part 1)	6	65	0	0	0	0	0	71
Independent Testing Laboratory	7	-	0	0	7	0	4	18
Marijuana Cultivator	77	-	2	29	147	26	48	329
Marijuana Delivery Operator Provisional License	0	-		0	0	0	0	0
Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification	27	0		0	0	0	0	27
Marijuana Microbusiness	6	-	0	4	12	0	4	26
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	56	-	1	25	108	11	45	246
Marijuana Research Facility	7	-	0	0	0	0	0	7
Marijuana Retailer	76	-	1	36	158	6	141	418
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	2	-	0	2	1	0	2	7
Microbusiness Delivery	1	-	0	0	0	0	1	2
Third Party Transporter	4	-	0	0	1	0	3	8
Total	285	65	4	96	442	44	248	1,184



MMJ Licensing Data | June 17, 2021

MTC License Applications	#
Pending-Application of Intent Stage	0
Pending-Management and Operations Profile Stage	О
Pending-Siting Profile Stage	3
Application Expired	149
Application Withdrawn	4
Total	156

MTC Licenses	#
Provisional	52
Final	6
Commence Operations	82
License Expired	37
Total	177

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Social Equity Program Update

Social Equity Program Cohort Three

- Application launches June 21, 2021 on MassCIP;
- Application updated to include the new and fourth criteria allowing certain Certified Economic Empowerment Applicants to receive technical training and assistance;
- Review and outreach to be led by the Director of Equity Programming and Community Outreach;
- Cohort Three will commence Fall 2021;
- Benefits accrue immediately upon acceptance, including fee waivers and access to exclusive license types.





- Delivery Operator Licenses launched May 28, 2021
- Microbusiness with Delivery Endorsement 1st commence operations granted May 28, 2021
- Municipal outreach relative to delivery allowance began June 7th
 - 935 CMR 500.145(I)(3): "Any municipality which after receiving notice from the Commission, has notified the Commission that delivery may operate within its borders."
 - Follow Commission's Zoning Tracker for updates.





Hiring Update

Chief Technology & Innovation Officer

Onboarded June 7th

Director of Equity Programming and Community Outreach Licensing Specialists

Final candidates in-process

Investigators
Executive Assistant
Receptionist Office Manager
Program Coordinator – Community Outreach

Screening and interview stages





Hiring Update (ctd.)

Associate Enforcement Counsel Research Analyst

• Open posting, closes July 2

March 2020 - Present:

- Hired 20 full-time employees and 2 temporary staff
- Onboarded 3 new Commissioners





Agency Demographics as of today, June 17, 2021:

<u>Total Staff</u>: 71 Employees

Female Employees: 61%

Male Employees: 39%

Persons of Color: 39%

Management Staff: 28 Employees

Female: 54%

Male: 46%

Persons of Color: 46%





- Return to Office Planning
 - Told staff that we'd return to office no earlier than July 1, 2021;
 - Surveyed staff regarding preparedness and comfort level;
 - As indicated, have onboarded significant number of staff during remote-work phase;
 - Staff have been incredibly productive, responsive, and engaged throughout pandemic;
 - Priority, first and foremost, is health and wellbeing of our staff and the public.
 - Will continue 2-way conversation with our staff in coming weeks to ensure they're part of, and inform them first of any decision.





- Extended pandemic-related Administrative Orders/Bulletins through September 1, 2021;
 - Telehealth
 - Curbside Operations
 - Virtual Community Outreach Meetings





- MassCIP Records Review
 - Withdrawn and dormant records (~7,500) to be reviewed, and if inactive for over 12 months, administratively closed after advance notice.
- Office closed Friday, June 18th in observance of Juneteenth.







Enforcement Actions

- a. Sira Naturals, Inc.
- b. TILT Holdings Inc





Recommendations: Changes of Ownership

- a. Cannatech Medicinals, Inc.
- b. Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc.
- c. Holland Brands NA, LLC
- d. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc.
- e. Native Sun MFG, LLC
- f. Native Sun Wellness, Inc.
- g. Nature's Remedy of Massachusetts, Inc.
- h. RISE Holdings, Inc.
- i. Tigertown, LLC





- a. Aries Laboratories, LLC (#ILR267893)
- b. Berkley Botanicals LLC (#MCR140008)
- c. Berkley Botanicals LLC (#MPR243626)
- d. Berkley Botanicals LLC (#MRR205773)
- e. Blue Collar Botany Corp (#MCR139999)
- f. Blue Collar Botany Corp (#MPR243611)
- g. Bostica, LLC (#MCR139991)
- h. Bostica, LLC (#MPR243616)
- i. CCC Wellfleet NV LLC (#MRR205761)
- j. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MCR139998)
- k. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MPR243613)
- I. Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MCR140017)
- m. Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MPR243627)
- n. DDM Sales, Inc. (#MRR205752)
- o. Eskar Arlington LLC (#MRR205771)
- p. Eskar Arlington LLC (#MRR205572)
- q. Frozen 4 Corporation (#MPR243618)
- r. Frozen 4 Corporation (#MRR205758)

- s. Frozen 4 Corporation (#MXR126658)
- t. Fuego Farms Inc. (#MCR140015)
- u. Fuego Farms Inc. (#MPR243623)
- v. Green Gold Group Inc (#MCR140004)
- w. Green Gold Group Inc (#MPR243615)
- x. Green Gold Group Inc (#MRR205751)
- y. Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MCR140018)
- z. Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MPR243628)
- aa. Heka, Inc. (#MCR140021)
- bb. Heka, Inc. (#MPR243624
- cc. Heka, Inc. (#MRR205768)
- dd. Heka, Inc. (#MRR205768)
- ee. Hennep Cultivation LLC (#MCR139994
- ff. Hennep Cultivation LLC (#MPR243603)
- gg. Hidden Hemlock, LLC (#MBR169273)
- hh. Holistic Industries, Inc. (#MRR205762)
- ii. HOLYOKE 420 LLC (#MRR205720)



jj. HumboldtEast, LLC (#MPR243619)

kk. Legal Greens, LLC (#MRR205720)

II. Liberty Compassion, Inc. (#MCR140025)

mm. Liberty Compassion, Inc. (#MPR243634)

nn. Life Essence, Inc. (#MCR139997)

oo. Life Essence, Inc. (#MPR243606)

pp. Life Essence, Inc. (#MRR205743)

qq. Lynn Organics LLC (#MRR205714)

rr. MassGrow, LLC (#MCR140022)

ss. MassGrow, LLC (#MPR243631)

tt. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MRR205759)

uu. Mederi, Inc. (#MCR139979)

vv. Mission MA, Inc. (#MRR205766)

ww. Nature's Embrace, Inc. (#MRR205766)

xx. New England Craft Cultivators, LLC (#MRR205770)

yy. New England Craft Cultivators, LLC (#MRR205784)

zz. PURE BOTANICALS LLC (#MCR139993)

aaa. Salty Farmers, LLC (#MCR140013)

bbb. Salty Farmers, LLC (#MRR205765)

ccc. Supercritical Mass Laboratories Inc. (#MPR243621)

ddd. Ten-Ten LLC (#MCR140010)

eee. Ten-Ten LLC (#MCR140009)

fff. Ten-Ten LLC (#MPR243620)

ggg. Ten-Ten LLC (#MRR205760)

hhh. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRR205756)

iii. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRR205763)

jjj. Top Shelf Cannaseurs LLC (#MCR140006

kkk. Top Shelf Cannaseurs LLC (#MPR243617)

III. ToroVerde (Massachusetts) II, Inc. (#MRR205746)

mmm. ToroVerde (Massachusetts) II, Inc. (#MRR205747)

nnn. ToroVerde (Massachusetts) II, Inc. (#MRR205745)



ooo. Treeworks of Massachusetts LLC (#MPR243630))

ppp. Union Leaf Inc. (#MRR205749)

qqq. United Cultivation, LLC (#MCR140007)

rrr. United Cultivation, LLC (#MPR243608)

sss. United Cultivation, LLC (#MRR205757)

ttt. UPROOT LLC (#MBR169272)

uuu. Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc. (#RMD1528)

vvv. Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc. (#RMD065)

www. BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. (#RMD1245)

xxx. Curaleaf Massachusetts, Inc. (#RMD385)

yyy. Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers, Inc.,

Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

zzz. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1005)

aaaa. INSA, Inc. (#RMD365)

bbbb. INSA, Inc. (#RMD845)

cccc. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc., Vertically Integrated

Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

dddd. New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD125)

eeee. New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD185)

ffff. NS AJO Holdings, LLC (#RMD1425)

gggg. Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. (#RMD805)

hhhh. Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#RMD1346)

iiii. Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#RMD925)

jjjj. Rise Holdings, Inc. (#RMD645)

kkkk. Silver Therapeutics, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical

Marijuana Treatment Center

IIII. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD245)

mmmm. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD325)

nnnn. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD625)



oooo. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts Inc. (#RMD705)

pppp. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts Inc. (#RMD965)

qqqq. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts Inc. (#RMD985)

rrrr. Theory Wellness, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center



Staff Recommendations: Final Licenses

- a. Cypress Tree Management, Inc. (#MR282803), Retail
- b. Diem Lynn, LLC (#MR283369), Retail
- c. Faded, LLC (#DOA100108), Marijuana Courier
- d. Grass Appeal, LLC (#MR282267), Retail
- e. Green Gold Group, Inc. (#MC281649), Cultivation, Tier 7 / Indoor
- f. Green Gold Group, Inc. (#MP281456), Product Manufacturer
- g. High Hopes, LLC (#MR282161), Retail
- h. KRD Growers, LLC (#MR282670), Retail
- i. Life Essence, Inc. (#MC281999), Cultivation, Tier 9 / Indoor
- j. Life Essence, Inc. (#MP281624), Product Manufacturer





Staff Recommendations: Final Licenses

- k. Olde World Remedies, Inc. (#MR282742), Retail
- I. Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MR281679), Retail
- m. Stafford Green, Inc. (#MC281964), Cultivation, Tier 5 / Outdoor
- n. MD Holistics, Inc. (#MTC1606), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center





Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licenses

- a. ACMJ, Inc. (#MCN283322), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- b. ACMJ, Inc. (#MPN282023), Product Manufacturer
- c. Bloominati AG, LLC (#MCN283421), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- d. Charles River Remedies, LLC (#MRN283511), Retail
- e. Cypress Tree Management Fenway, Inc. (#MRN284186), Retail
- f. DayDreamz Estates, LLC (#MCN283415), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- g. DayDreamz Estates, LLC (#MCN283417), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Outdoor
- h. DayDreamz Estates, LLC (#MPN282050), Product Manufacturer
- i. Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers (#MCN283486), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- j. Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers (#MPN282046), Product Manufacturer
- k. Green River Cannabis Company, Inc. (#MRN283094), Retail
- I. Green River Cannabis Company, Inc. (#MRN283093), Retail

- m. Green Valley Analytics, LLC (#ILN281359), Independent Testing Laboratory
- n. Greenbridge Technologies, LLC (#MCN283420), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- o. Greenbridge Technologies, LLC (#MPN282054), Product Manufacturer
- p. H & H Cultivation, LLC (#MCN283335), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- q. H & H Cultivation, LLC (#MPN282022), Product Manufacturer
- r. High Dune Craft Cooperative, LLC (#CON281297), Craft Marijuana Cooperative
- s. Hydro Flower, LLC (#MCN283450), Cultivation, Tier 5 / Indoor
- t. Hydro Flower, LLC (#MPN282060), Product Manufacturer
- u. KCCS, LLC (#MRN283970), Retail
- v. KG Collective, LLC (#MRN284181), Retail



Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licenses

- w. Life Essence, Inc. (#MRN283110), Retail
- x. M3 Ventures, Inc. (#MCN283354), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Outdoor
- y. Northampton Labs, LLC (#ILN281313), Independent Testing Laboratory
- z. Richards Flowers, LLC (#MBN282225), Microbusiness
- aa. Royalty Group, LLC (#MCN283240), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- bb. San Holdings, LLC (#MCN282372), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- cc. San Holdings, LLC (#MRN282449), Retail
- dd. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MRN283946), Retail
- ee. Standard Naturals, LLC (#MRN282696), Retail
- ff. The Botanist, Inc. (#MPN281672), Product Manufacturer
- gg. Uma Cultivation LLC (#MCN282699), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor





Commission Discussion & Votes

- Update on Microbial Testing
- Guidance on Licensure
- Executive Director Compensation







Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, July 15

- Monthly Public Meeting
 - Remote via Teams



2021 Public Meeting Schedule

Public Meeting dates are tentative and subject to change

August 12

November 18

September 16

December 16

October 14







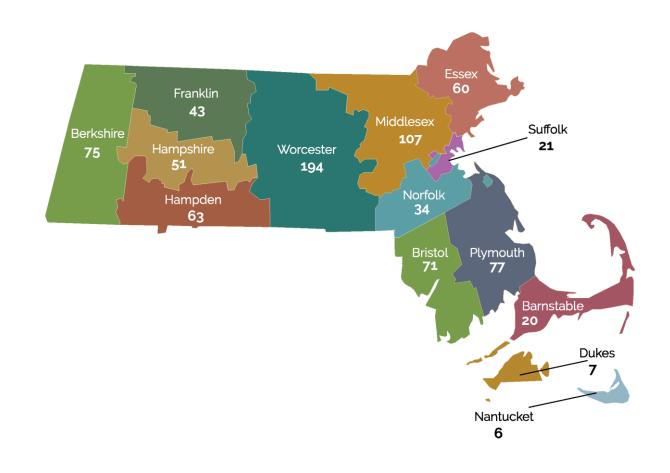
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Type	#
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	4
Delivery-Only Provisional Licensure (Part 2)	12
Delivery-Only Pre-Certification (Part 1)	6
Independent Testing Laboratory	7
Marijuana Cultivator	77
Marijuana Delivery Operator Provisional License (Part 2)	0
Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification (Part 1)	27
Marijuana Microbusiness	6
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	56
Marijuana Research Facility	7
Marijuana Retailer	76
Marijuana Third Party Transporter	2
Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement	1
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	4
Total	285



The totals below are the total number of licenses by county.

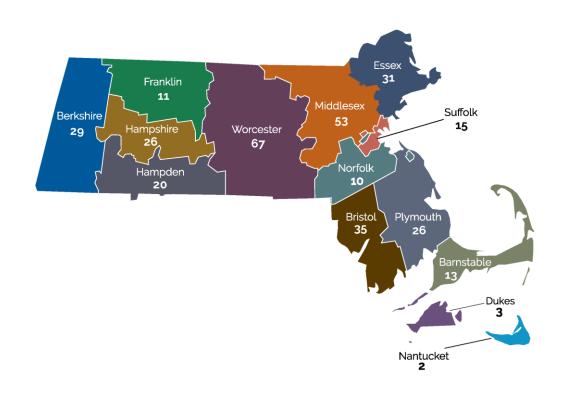
COUNTY	#	+/-
BARNSTABLE	20	
BERKSHIRE	75	
BRISTOL	71	
DUKES	7	+3
ESSEX	60	+1
FRANKLIN	43	+2
HAMPDEN	63	+2
HAMPSHIRE	51	+1
MIDDLESEX	107	+4
NANTUCKET	6	
NORFOLK	34	
PLYMOUTH	77	
SUFFOLK	21	+1
WORCESTER	194	+2
TOTAL	828	+16





The totals below are the total number of retail licenses by county.

COUNTY	#	+/-
BARNSTABLE	13	
BERKSHIRE	29	
BRISTOL	35	
DUKES	3	+1
ESSEX	31	+2
FRANKLIN	11	
HAMPDEN	20	
HAMPSHIRE	26	
MIDDLESEX	53	+4
NANTUCKET	2	
NORFOLK	10	
PLYMOUTH	26	
SUFFOLK	15	+1
WORCESTER	67	
TOTAL	341	+8





Adult Use Agent Applications | June 17, 2021

26,935 Total Agent Applications:

168 Total
Pending

154 Pending Establishment Agents

14 Pending Laboratory Agents

- 1,234 Withdrawn
- 1,875 Incomplete
- 821 Expired
- 8,323 Surrendered
- 2 Denied
- 14,512 Active

Of 168 Total Pending:

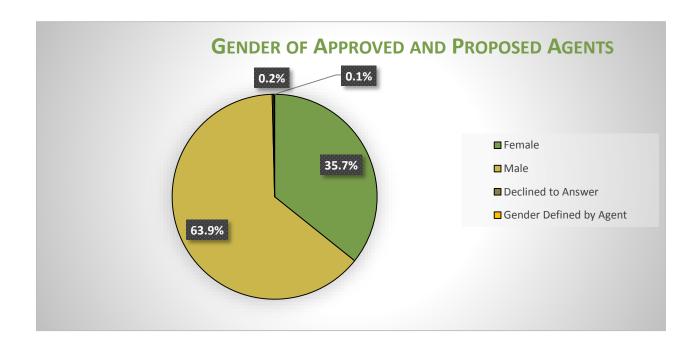
- 12 not yet reviewed
- 145 CCC requested more information
- 11 awaiting third party response
- O Review complete; awaiting approval



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Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents

Gender	#	%
Female	5,247	35.7%
Male	9,377	63.9%
Declined to Answer	36	0.2%
Gender Defined by Applicant	20	0.1%
Total	14,680	100%



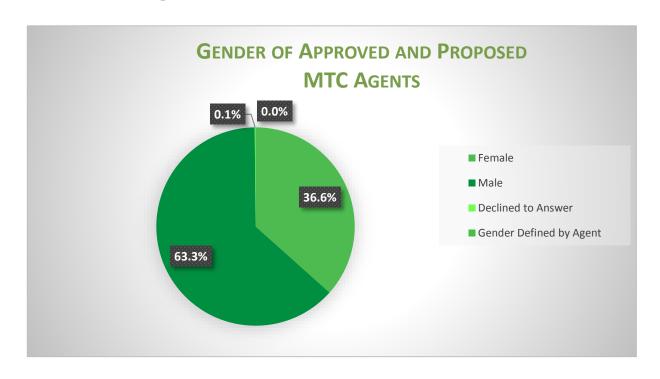
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Demographics of Approved and Pending Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Agents

Gender	#	%
Female	2,904	36.6%
Male	5,020	63.3%
Declined to Answer	10	0.1%
Gender Defined by Applicant	0	0%
Total	7,934	100%

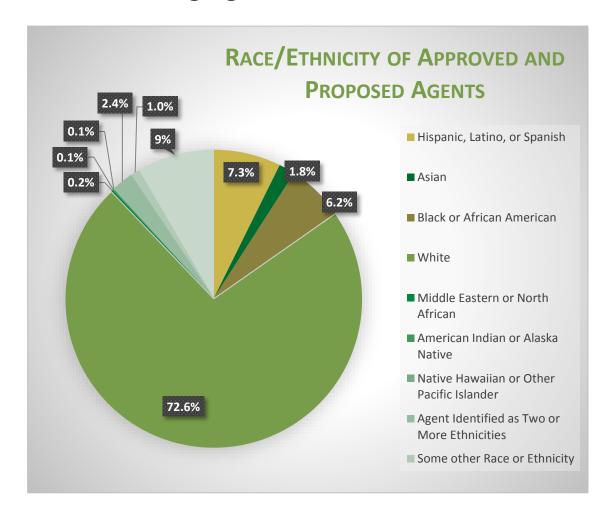


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Agent Applications | June 17, 2021 Demographics of Approved and Pending Agents

Race/Ethnicity	#	%
Hispanic; Latino; Spanish	1,074	7.3%
Asian	260	1.8%
Black; African American	909	6.2%
White	10,652	72.6%
Middle Eastern; North African	27	0.2%
American Indian; Alaska Native	19	0.1%
Native Hawaiian; Other Pacific Islander	8	0.1%
Identified as Two or More Ethnicities	351	2.4%
Other Race or Ethnicity	142	1%
Declined to Answer	1,238	8.4%
Total	14,680	100%

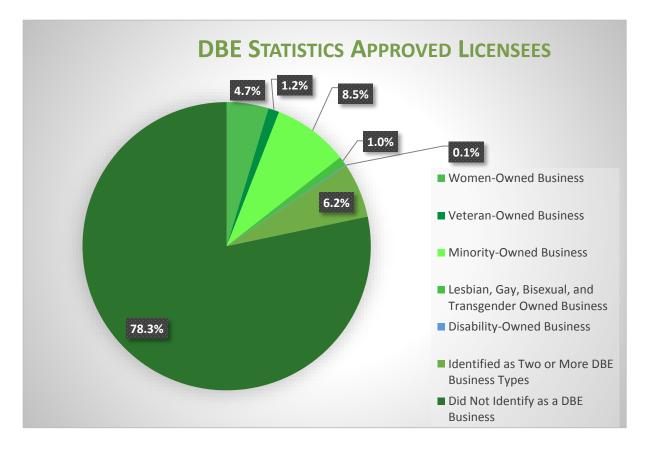


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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Statistics for Approved Licensees

		% of
Type	#	Group
Women-Owned Business	42	4.7%
Veteran-Owned Business	11	1.2%
Minority-Owned Business	76	8.5%
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and		
Transgender Owned Business	9	1%
Disability-Owned Business	1	0.1%
Identified as Two or More DBE		
Business Types	55	6.2%
Did Not Identify as a DBE		
Business	700	78.3%
Total	894	100%

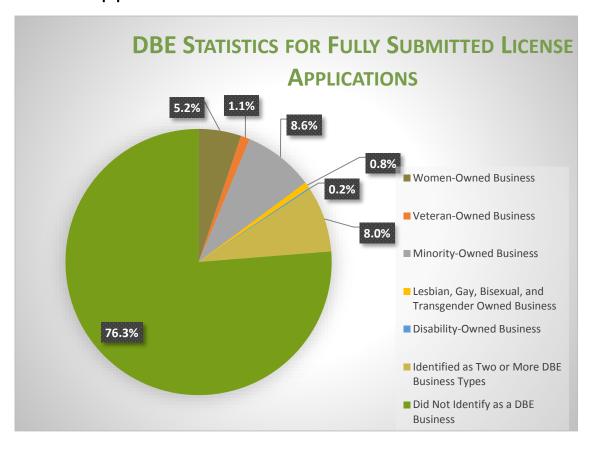


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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Statistics for Fully Submitted License Applications

		% of
Туре	#	Group
Women-Owned Business	61	5.2%
Veteran-Owned Business	13	1.1%
Minority-Owned Business	101	8.6%
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and		
Transgender Owned Business	9	0.8%
Disability-Owned Business	2	0.2%
Identified as Two or More DBE		
Business Types	94	8%
Did Not Identify as a DBE		
Business	900	76.3%
Total	1,180	100%



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Medical Use Agent Application and Registrations | June 17, 2021

The numbers below are a snapshot of the program for the month of May.

MTC Agent Applications	#
Pending MTC Agent	5
Applications	J
Pending Laboratory Agent	\cap
Applications	O
Incomplete	38
Revoked	4
Denied	31
Surrendered	6,711
Expired	1,077
Active	7,929
Total Agent Applications	15,795

MMJ Program	#
Certified Patients	100,498
Certified Active Patients	94,453
Active Caregivers	8,213
Registered Certifying Physicians	280
Registered Certifying Nurse Practitioners	94
Ounces Sold	77,513