

## Melting Pot Manufacturing, Inc.

MPN281882

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Melting Pot Manufacturing, Inc.  
321 West Grove St, Floor 2, Unit 1, Middleborough, MA 02346

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 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed license are also associated with an adult-use marijuana delivery license under the name of Gas Bus, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Edson Charles	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Richard DeCotis	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Melissa Forbes	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 (Social Equity Program Participant)  
 (Edson Charles / 67% ownership / SE305106)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 23, 2023.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 26, 2023 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Middleborough on January 2, 2024 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	Partner with the recovery home Quinn House and Peak Recovery Solutions a substance abuse recovery program provider; and provide 20 hours of service to the programs and residence of said program. Part of its service will be two full day sessions, twice a year dedicated to a spring and winter clean-up of the Quinn House property.
2	Work with The Quinn House and Peak Recovery Solutions to identify all qualified applicants. (Any resident with a valid driver license that meets all the Cannabis Control Commissions employment requirements) with the intention of hiring one (1) scholarship recipient from the Quinn house every hiring cycle or every six months and keep one (1) hire from the Quinn house on staff at all times.

**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 11 months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
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Monday-Sunday	9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
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- 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.
- The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit people of color particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people (50%), Women (15%) Veterans (10%) persons with disabilities (15%) LGBTQ+ people (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Contract with vendors or wholesalers who are people of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people (50%) Women (15%) Veterans (10%), persons with disabilities (15%), and LGBTQ+ (10%).

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

#	Product
1	Distillate Vape
2	Infused Pre-rolls

**RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

- Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
- Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
- 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.
- The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 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.

