



ADMINISTRATIVE  
MEETING OF THE  
MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, July 19, 2011  
Lansing District Office – 11:41 a.m.

Present: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman  
Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner  
Sharon Martin, Director of Licensing Division  
Andy Neumann, Director of Administrative Services Division  
Steve Robinson, Director of Finance Division  
Julie Wendt, Director of Executive Services Division  
Tom Hagan, Director of Enforcement Division  
Scott Maul, Deputy Director of Licensing Division  
Donald McGehee, Division Chief Alcohol & Gambling  
Jason Geissler, Assistant Attorney General  
Andrea Miller, Executive Services Division  
Anita Fawcett, Executive Services Division

Absent: Donald B. Weatherspoon, Commissioner

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Deloney.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, SUPPORTED BY CHAIRMAN DELONEY, AND CARRIED, that the minutes of the Commission Meeting of July 12, 2011 and July 13, 2011, be approved as written and presented.

MOVED BY CHAIRPERSON DELONEY, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, AND CARRIED, that the schedule of the Liquor Control Commission meetings for 2011, a copy of which is on file in the Commission's supplemental minute record, be amended to change the time of the Thursday Administrative Meetings to be held in the Southfield District Office to start at 9:30 a.m., and the amended schedule be posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 257, PA 1976, as amended.

Chairman Deloney advised that the start times of certain meetings of the Liquor Control Commission would be changing. He stated the Tuesday Appeal Hearings held at the Lansing District Office and the Thursday Appeal Hearings held at the Southfield District Office would be starting at 10:00 a.m.; the Tuesday Business Meeting held at the Lansing District Office would be starting at 11:00 a.m., and the Wednesday Licensing Meeting held at the Lansing District Office would be starting at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Robinson presented a request from Jim Beam Brands Co./Beam Global Spirits & Wine, Inc. for an authorized distribution agent (ADA) change for one product, Skinnygirl Margarita (Product Code 06436), to move from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc. to NWS Michigan, Inc. Mr. Robinson indicated that Jim Beam Brands Co./Beam Global Spirits & Wine, Inc. obtained the rights to import the brand on April 1, 2011 and less than 862 cases were sold in the last year.

Mr. Robinson presented a second request for an ADA change from Remy Cointreau USA, Inc. for five Cutty Sark products (Product Codes 02450, 16501, 16507, 16508 and 70850), to move from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc. to NWS Michigan, Inc. Mr. Robinson indicated that Remy Cointreau USA, Inc. currently is represented by NWS of Michigan, Inc. for their other products and they purchased the brand on June 25, 2011. The annual total cases sold for the products involved in the ADA change are approximately 2421 cases.

After discussion, IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, SUPPORTED BY CHAIRMAN DELONEY, AND CARRIED that the request from Jim Beam Brands Co./Beam Global Spirits & Wine, Inc. for an ADA change to move Skinnygirl Margarita (Product Code 06436) from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc., to NWS Michigan, Inc., and the request from Remy Cointreau USA, Inc. for an ADA change to move Cutty Sark (Product Codes 02450, 16501, 16507, 16508 and 70850), from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc. to NWS Michigan, Inc., be approved.

Chairman Deloney stated that the Administrative Order governing these requests is narrowly tailored to allow these ADA changes and this approval should not be considered an endorsement or support of the Administrative Order of February 9, 2011. He advised this process may be reviewed in the future. Chairman Deloney asked when these changes were to be effective. Mr. Robinson advised January 30, 2012. MOVED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, SUPPORTED BY CHAIRMAN DELONEY, AND CARRIED that the previous motion to approve the requested ADA changes be withdrawn.

Commissioner Quimby stated that before the Commission are documents received in response to an Administrative Order dated February 9, 2011 issued by the previous Commission and that whether or not the current Commission agrees or disagrees with the policies, decisions, or orders of the previous Commission, there is a standing Administrative Order requiring this body to approve or deny the requested ADA changes. Commissioner Quimby further stated that this request is made on a fairly narrow basis in that the Vendors of Spirits would like to keep the acquired brands in the current portfolios with NWS Michigan, Inc. and that the expectation is that there will be very little impact on General Wine & Liquor Company, Inc. if the requested changes are approved.

After further discussion, IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, SUPPORTED BY CHAIRMAN DELONEY, AND CARRIED that the request from Jim Beam Brands Co./Beam Global Spirits & Wine, Inc. for an ADA change to move Skinnygirl Margarita (Product Code 06436) from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc., to NWS Michigan, Inc., and the

request from Remy Cointreau USA, Inc. for an ADA change to move Cutty Sark (Product Codes 02450, 16501, 16507, 16508 and 70850), from General Wine and Liquor Company, Inc. to NWS Michigan, Inc., be approved, effective January 30, 2012.

Mr. Peter S. Arabo appeared before the Commission and requested to provide information relative to his treatment at the MGM Grand and Greektown casinos in Detroit MI. He stated that he had been discriminated against because of his ability, race, religion and/or national origin by the casinos. Chairperson Deloney advised this is a legal matter and would be taken under advisement.

Chairman Deloney made a motion to enter into a closed session to discuss pending litigation with the Assistant Attorneys General assigned to the Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division Office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Quimby and a Roll Call vote was taken on the motion:

Chairman Deloney	Aye
Commissioner Quimby	Aye

The Commission entered into a closed session at 11:56 a.m.

The Commission reconvened the Business Meeting at 12:46 p.m.

MOVED BY CHAIRMAN DELONEY, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER QUIMBY, AND CARRIED to approve the recommendation of the Assistant Attorneys General made in the closed session for the pending litigation.

The meeting recessed at 12:47 p.m.

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Andrew J. Deloney  
Chairman

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Anita Fawcett  
Executive Services Division