



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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In the matter of the request of)) SPOT GAS STOP LLC) 9021 Howard City Edmore) Vestaburg, Michigan 48891)) Richland Township Montcalm County) _____)	Request ID No. 798716
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At the September 8, 2015 hearing of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (Commission) in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman
Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner
Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

LICENSING APPEAL ORDER

On March 31, 2015, Spot Gas Stop LLC (applicant) filed a request to transfer ownership of an Specially Designated Merchant license with one (1) Direct Connection to the unlicensed premises from Spot Party Store, Inc., at the above-noted address. The applicant also requested to cancel the existing Direct Connection to the unlicensed premises; requested to add space to the licensed premises; requested a new Sunday Sales Permit (A.M.); and requested permission for motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises under MCL 436.1541(3).

At a meeting held on July 15, 2015, the Commission denied this request under administrative rule R 436.1105(2)(a) based on the prior operating record of applicant member, Manraj S. Grewal, as a current licensee of the Commission that was found responsible for two (2) violations of the sale of alcoholic liquor to person(s) under 21 years of age (ages 17 and 19); contrary to MCL 436.1801(2).

Further, the Commission denied this request because applicant members, Dharamvir S. Mann and Ramanjit K. Grewal, both applied for non-immigrant visas on or about May 24, 2015, but have not been issued the visas. The Commission's investigator determined that Dharamvir S. Mann and Ramanjit K. Grewal both intend to devote full-time to the business operation. The Commission has concerns that Dharamvir S. Mann and Ramanjit K. Grewal may not have the ability to work legally in the United States at this time due to their visa status.

The Commission also denied this request under administrative rule R 436.1105(2)(j) after considering the effects that issuance of a license would have on the health, welfare, and safety of the general public when determining whether an applicant should be issued a license or permit based on the findings of the Commission.

James Juhnke, legal counsel on behalf of the applicant, submitted a timely request for an appeal in this matter and represented the applicant at the September 8, 2015 hearing, held at the Commission's Lansing office.

After hearing arguments, reviewing the MLCC file and updated documents that were presented, and discussion of the issue on the record, the Commission finds that this application should be returned to Commission staff for further processing.

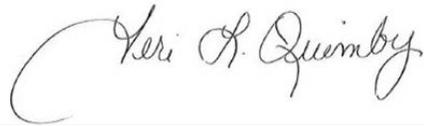
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the denial order of July 15, 2015 issued in this matter is REVERSED and this application is REMANDED to Commission staff for further processing.

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