



ADMINISTRATIVE
MEETING OF THE
MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Lansing District Office

Present: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman
Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner
Donald B. Weatherspoon, Commissioner
Steve Robinson, Director of Finance Division
Julie Wendt, Director of Executive Services Division
Andy Neumann, Director of Administrative Services Division
Tom Hagan, Director of Enforcement Division
Scott Maul, Deputy Director of Licensing Division
Anita Fawcett, Executive Services Division

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Deloney at 11:40 a.m., noting that a quorum was present.

I. Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Weatherspoon, that the minutes of the Commission meeting of December 6, 2011, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

II. Mr. Robinson presented three products from the E-Quotes report dated December 5, 2011 that no action was taken on pending further information and review. He advised he had spoken with the vendor representatives and the issues were resolved, and is requesting approval of the following:

Brown-Forman Corporation (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	1750ml Herradura Reposado Tequila	3 Bottles
Castle Brands (USA) Corp. (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	375ml Travis Hasse's Apple Pie	24 Bottles
Remy Cointreau USA, Inc. (NWS Michigan, Inc.)	50ml St Remy VSOP w/Gls	120 Bottles

Moved by Chairman Deloney, supported by Commissioner Quimby, that the above actions be taken in accordance with the E-Quote reports dated December 5, 2011, motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. Mr. Robinson presented a proposed bulletin which informs the Authorized Distribution Agents (ADAs) of the calendar year's 2012 State holidays and the procedures for submitting retail licensee orders when the Michigan Liquor Control Commission offices are closed. After discussion, **Moved by Chairman Deloney, supported by**

Commissioner Quimby, that the bulletin for ADA's reporting dates be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

IV. Old Business – There was no old business to conduct.

V. New Business

Commissioner Weatherspoon asked Harold McGovern, President of NWS, Michigan, Inc., if liquor could be ordered through the internet for delivery to Michigan. Mr. McGovern advised it is not legal and it would be hard to collect the taxes on this type of sale unless the shipper was made responsible for remission of taxes to the state. Commissioner Weatherspoon would like to see internet decoy operations set up to purchase wine and/or spirits from the various websites offering online ordering and shipping of alcoholic beverages. He advised the cyber world is overtaking us and we need to get ahead of the game to ensure public safety and the collection of revenue.

Chairman Deloney stated we may need a broader set of actions to deal with these issues and asked Mr. Hagan if we can do more than decoy operations. Mr. Hagan responded that Enforcement has been working on this issue for a few years. He advised that beside the decoy operations, the Commission could issue letters to these vendors stating taxes could be assessed and include a warning regarding sales in Michigan. Chairman Deloney stated that the Commission will continue to research this issue.

VI. Public Comments – There were no public comments.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Weatherspoon, that the business meeting be adjourned at 11:49 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Andrew J. Deloney
Chairman

Anita Fawcett
Executive Services