## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS CANNABIS REGULATORY AGENCY

In the Matter of

Frost Bite Management, Inc.	ENF No.: 21-00396
dba The Outpost Crystal Falls	
License No.: AU-R-000436	
	CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

## CONSENT ORDER

On September 16, 2021, the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) issued a formal complaint against the adult-use marijuana retailer establishment license (AU-R-000436) of Frost Bite Management, Inc. ("Respondent") under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), MCL 333.27951 et seq., and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder. The formal complaint alleged Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), R 420.502(4), and R 420.505(1)(a).

The executive director reviewed the stipulation contained in this document and agrees the public interest is best served by resolution of the formal complaint. Therefore, the executive director finds that all of the allegations contained in the formal complaint are true and that Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), R 420.502(4), and R 420.505(1)(a).

Accordingly, for these violations, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of thirteen thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$13,000.00). This fine shall be paid within 30 days of the effective date of this order by check, money order, or online through Accela Citizen Access (ACA). Instructions on how to make online payments can be found under the Tips for Licensees bulletin section at www.michigan.gov/cra. Check or money orders shall be made payable to the State of Michigan with enforcement number "21-00396" and license number "AU-R-000436" clearly displayed on the check or

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money order. Respondent shall mail the fine to Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Cannabis Regulatory Agency, PO BOX 30205, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

- 2. If Respondent fails to timely comply with the terms of this order, Respondent's license shall be suspended until compliance is demonstrated.
- Unless otherwise specified in this order, Respondent shall direct any
  communications to the CRA that are required by the terms of this order to <u>CRA-</u>
  <u>LegalHearings@michigan.gov</u>.
- 4. Respondent shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred in complying with the terms and conditions of this consent order.
- 5. If Respondent violates any term or condition set forth in this order, Respondent will be subject to fines and/or other sanctions under section 7(1)(c) of the MRTMA, MCL 333.27957, and Mich Admin Code, R 420.808.
- Upon timely compliance of the terms of this order by Respondent, the matters set forth in the formal complaint shall be deemed resolved and closed subject to this Consent Order.

This order shall be effective 30 days after the date signed by the CRA's executive director or his designee, as set forth below.

Signed on:

8/24/2023

Brian Hanna, Executive Director or his designee
Cannabis Regulatory Agency

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STIPULATION

The parties stipulate to the following:

1. The facts alleged in the formal complaint are true and constitute a violation of

the administrative rules promulgated under the MRTMA.

2. Respondent understands and intends that by signing this stipulation,

Respondent is waiving the right under the MRTMA, administrative rules

promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969,

MCL 24.201 et seq., to require the CRA to prove the violations set forth in the

formal complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and to

present a defense to the violations.

3. The parties considered the following in reaching this agreement:

a. Respondent stated that it provided additional staff training to prevent

recurrences.

b. Respondent updated its standard operating procedures in response to

this noncompliance.

c. Respondent was cooperative and wishes to resolve the allegations

without the need for and expense of an administrative hearing.

d. Respondent has been licensed as a retailer since 2021 and has no

prior discipline against its license.

4. The CRA's operations director or his designee must approve this proposed

agreement before it is forwarded to the CRA's executive director or his

designee for review and issuance of the above consent order. The parties

reserve the right to proceed to an administrative hearing without prejudice to

either party, should the CRA's operations director, executive director, or their

designees reject the proposed consent order.

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By signing this stipulation, the parties confirm that they have read, understand, and agree with the terms of the consent order.

AGREED TO BY:

Desmond Mitchell

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Desmond Mitchell, Operations Director or his designee Cannabis Regulatory Agency

Dated: 8/24/2023

AGREED TO BY:

Mark Abraham, Authorized Officer on behalf of Respondent Frost Bite Management, Inc.

Mark abraham

Craig Aronoff, P57997 Attorney for Respondent

Dated: 8/10/23

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MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

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AU-ER No.: 001341

License No.: AU-R-000436

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FORMAL COMPLAINT

The Marijuana Regulatory Agency ("Complainant") files this formal complaint

against Frost Bite Management, Inc. dba The Outpost Crystal Falls ("Respondent")

alleging upon information and belief as follows:

1. The Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) is authorized under the Michigan

Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), 2018 IL1, et seq., and Executive

Reorganization Order No.2019-2, MCL 333.27001, to investigate alleged violations of the

MRTMA and the Administrative Rule promulgated thereunder, take disciplinary action to

prevent such violations, and impose fines and other sanctions against applicants and

licensees that violate the MRTMA or Administrative Rules.

2. Section 8(1)(d) of the MRTMA provides that the Administrative Rules must ensure

the health, safety, and security of the public and integrity of the marihuana establishment

operations.

3. Respondent's conduct as described below is a risk to public health and safety

and/or the integrity of marihuana establishment operations.

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## FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS AND INTENDED ACTION OF THE MRA

- 4. Respondent holds an active state license under the MRTMA to operate an adult use retailer establishment in the state of Michigan.
- 5. Respondent operated at 32 Superior Ave., Crystal Falls, Michigan 49920, at all times relevant to this complaint.
- 6. Following an investigation, the MRA determined that Respondent violated the MRTMA and/or Administrative Rules promulgated thereunder as set forth below:
  - a. On July 12, 2021, the MRA placed statewide monitoring system (Metrc) tags 1A4050300006EF6000012226, 1A4050300006EF6000012238 & 1A4050300006EF6000012295 on administrative hold, pending an investigation.
  - b. On July 14 & 15, 2021, Respondent made sales from statewide monitoring system (Metrc) tags 1A4050300006EF6000012226, 1A4050300006EF6000012238 & 1A4050300006EF6000012295, while on administrative hold.
  - c. On July 22, 2021, the MRA placed statewide monitoring system (Metrc) tag 1A4050300006EF6000012505 on administrative hold, pending an investigation.
  - d. On July 24 & 27, 2021, Respondent made sales from statewide monitoring system (Metrc) tag 1A4050300006EF6000012505, while on administrative hold.
  - e. Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), which states a marihuana business shall not sell or transfer marihuana product that has been placed on administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.
  - f. Respondent sold marijuana product to a customer after the package was placed on administrative hold, which is also a violation of Mich Admin

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Code, R 420.505(1), which states a marihuana sales location may sell or

transfer marihuana or a marihuana product to a marihuana customer if all

of the following are met: (a) The marihuana product has not been placed

on administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.

g. Respondent also violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(4), which states a

marihuana business must verify in the statewide monitoring system, prior

to any sale or transfer, that the marihuana product has not been placed on

an administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.

THEREFORE, based on the above, the MRA gives notice of its intent to impose fines

and/or other sanctions against Respondent's license, which may include the suspension,

revocation, restriction, and/or refusal to renew Respondent's license.

Under MCL 333.27957 (1)(c) and Mich Admin Code, R 420.704(2), any party

aggrieved by an action of the MRA suspending, revoking, restricting, or refusing to renew

a license, or imposing a fine, shall be given a hearing upon request. A request for a

hearing must be submitted to the MRA in writing within 21 days after service of this

complaint. Notice served by certified mail is considered complete on the business day

following the date of the mailing.

Respondent also has the right to request a compliance conference under Mich Admin

Code, R 420.704(1). A compliance conference is an informal meeting at which

Respondent has the opportunity to discuss the allegations in this complaint and

demonstrate compliance under the MRTMA and/or the Emergency Rules. A compliance

conference request must be submitted to the MRA in writing.

Hearing and compliance conference requests must be submitted in writing by one of

the following methods:

By Mail:

Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs

Marijuana Regulatory Agency

P.O. Box 30205

Lansing, Michigan 48909

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In Person: Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs

Marijuana Regulatory Agency 2407 North Grand River Lansing, Michigan 48906

By Email: MRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov

If Respondent fails to timely respond to this formal complaint, a contested case hearing will be scheduled to resolve this matter.

Questions about this complaint should be directed to the Marijuana Regulatory Agency's legal section at (517) 284-8599 or MRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov.

September 16, 2021

Claire Patterson Date: 2021.09.16 16:22:03 -04'00'

Claire Patterson, Manager Scientific and Legal Section Manager Enforcement Division Marijuana Regulatory Agency