Held: Tuesday, April 9, 2013
        Lansing District Office
        7150 Harris Drive
        Lansing MI 48909

Present: Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner
           Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

Absent: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman
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Commissioner Quimby called the hearings to order at 10:07 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

1.   Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal hearing of April 2, 2013, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.

2.   EMAD, LLC, 1109 E Genesee, Saginaw, Saginaw County   Request ID# 671650

The Church hearing was conducted for EMAD, LLC, Request ID# 671650. Dawn Hetzel appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office, Attorney John Haines and member Emad Rasheed, appeared on behalf of the applicant. The objecting church, New Life Full Gospel Church, was represented by Bishop Zachary Williamson. Also present was Robert Denha, current licensee's brother. Ms. Hetzel, Mr. Haines, Mr. Denha and Bishop Williamson offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Commissioner Quimby advised the findings of the Commission are as follows: that the New Life Full Gospel Church filed a proper objection to the granting of a transfer ownership and transfer location of Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant Licenses, and that the applicant had the burden of proceeding, and that the applicant had to show by competent, material and substantial evidence that issuance of the license would not adversely affect the normal operation of the church. Commissioner Quimby made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the church, and the licensing process would continue. Supported by Commissioner Olshove, motion carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 10:50 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Teri L. Quimby
Commissioner

Anita Fawcett
Executive Services Division