

# BUSINESS MEETING OF THE

## MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

- Held: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Lansing MI 48933
- Present: Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner Dennis Olshove, Commissioner
- Absent: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman
- Staff: Pam Hamilton, Director of Finance Division Terri Chase, Commission Aide

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Quimby at 9:43 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- I. Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the minutes of the Commission meeting of October 24, 2017, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- **II**. Ms. Hamilton presented the E-Quote reports for product listings in three categories and requested approval of the following:
  - **A.** That the products listed below be granted exceptions to the standard pack size, inasmuch as the items are packaged nationally or meets other exceptions as indicated and be approved for listing in the approved products list effective December 3, 2017:

COMPANY/ADA	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
A. Hardy/U.S.A. Ltd. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1954 750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1958 750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1967 750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1977 750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1987 750ml DeMontal Armagnac 1997 750ml Elation Nectar DePoire 750ml Fratello Hazelnut Liqueur 50ml Hardy Legend Cognac 1863 750ml Hyde No. 5 Burgundy Finish	6 Bottles 6 Bottles 1 Bottle 1 Bottle 1 Bottle 1 Bottle 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 48 Bottles 6 Bottles

Sazerac North America, Inc.	750ml Hyde No. 6 Sherry Cask 50ml Prince DePolignac V.S.O.P. PL 750ml Serata Amaretto 750ml Vizcaya Black Rum 750ml Vizcaya Cristal Rum 750ml Vizcaya VXOP Rum 750ml 1792 Bottled in Bond Ky BBN	6 Bottles 192 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC) Jim Beam Brands Co. (NWS Michigan, LLC) Brown-Forman Corporation (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	<ul> <li>750ml Booker's Rye</li> <li>50ml Courvoisier VSOP Cognac</li> <li>750ml Benriach 10 Yr. Ltd 2006 Release</li> <li>750ml Benriach 12 Yr. Peated Ltd 2005</li> <li>750ml Glenronach Grandeur 24 Yr. Scotch</li> <li>750ml Glenronach Single Cask 24 Yr.</li> </ul>	6 Bottles 144 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 2 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles
Castle Brands (USA) Corp (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Jefferson's Pres Select 16 Yr. BBN	3 Bottles
Caribbean Distillers, LLC	375ml Mad Hen Fiery Whiskey	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.) 45 <sup>th</sup> Parallel Spirits, LLC	375ml Speckled Tail American Whiskey 750ml Gamle Ode Celeb Aquavit on Rye	12 Botles 6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Gamle Ode Celebration Aquavit	6 Bottles
	750ml Gamle Ode Dill Aquavit	6 Bottles
	750ml Gamle Ode Holiday Aquavit	6 Bottles
	750ml Gamle Ode Holiday Aquavit Rye	6 Bottles
Hemingway Rum Company, LLC (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Papa's Pilar Dark Rum Sherry	6 Bottles
Charles Jacquin Et Cie, Inc.	750ml Pravda Caramel Vodka	6 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Pravda Cherry Vodka	6 Bottles
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	750ml Pravda Citron Vodka	6 Bottles
	750ml Pravda Coconut Vodka	6 Bottles
	750ml Pravda Espresso Vodka	6 Bottles
	750ml Pravda Orange Vodka	6 Bottles
	750ml Pravda Peach Vodka	6 Bottles
	750ml Pravda Raspberry Vodka	6 Bottles
LeVecke Corporation (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Jesse James America's Outlaw	6 Bottles
ŇHW, Ltd.	750ml Compass Box Great King St Arti	6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Compass Box Great King St Glas	6 Bottles
	750ml Compass Box Spice Tree Extrava	6 Bottles
Nawrocki Imparts, LLC (CKL Corporation)	375ml Bull Run Chinato Barrel Aged	24 Bottles
Niche Import Co.	750ml Mozart Chocolate Cream Liq	6 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Mozart White Chocolate Strawberry	
	750ml Mozart White Chocolate Vanilla	6 Bottles

Ole Smoky Distillery, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Ole Smoky Moonshine H-D Charre	6 Bottles
Park Street Imports LLC (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml The Dalmore 40 Yr. Scotch	1 Bottle
Pernod Ricard USA, LLC	1000ml Jameson Caskmates IPA	6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	1000ml Jameson Caskmates Stout	6 Bottles 6 Bottles
Proximo Spirits, Inc. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	1000ml Hangar 1 Rose Vodka	o Dollies
Remy Cointreau USA, Inc.	750ml Bruichladdich Bere Barley 2008	6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Bruichladdich The Organic 2009	6 Bottles
	375ml Westland Variety 3 Pk	18 Bottles
Shand Import, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Philbert Distiller Reserve PC 750ml Philbert Dovecote Cognac	6 Bottles 6 Bottles
(NVS Michigan, LEC)	750ml Philbert Rare Cask Sherry Oak	6 Bottles
	750ml Philbert Rare Cask Sauternes	6 Bottles
	750ml The Rarest MacAllan 1969 48 Yr.	1 Bottle
	750ml Villa Lobos Los Hombres Ex Anj	6 Bottles
Davos Brands, LLC	50ml Aviation Gin PL	60 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)		
Diageo Americas, Inc.	100ml Baileys Original Irish PL 3 Pk	96 Bottles 80 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	50ml Baileys Strawberries & Cream 750ml Brora 34 Yr. Scotch	6 Bottles
	750ml Caol Ila 18 Yr. Scotch	6 Bottles
	750ml Capt Morgan Watermelon Smash	6 Bottles
	750ml Convalmore 32 Yr. Scotch	6 Bottles
	750ml Orphan Barrel Library Pack 6 Pk	6 Bottles
Vikre Distillery, LLC	750ml Honor Brand Hay & Sunshine	6 Bottles
(CKL Corporation)	750ml Vikre Distill Boreal Cedar Gin	6 Bottles
Vision Wine & Spirits, LLC	750ml Vikre Lake Superior Vodka 750ml Centenario Edicion Ltd 30 Yr.	6 Bottles 6 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Centenario Fundacion 20 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml Centenario Gran Reserva 25 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Bunnahabhain 8 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Caol Ila 11 Yr. Scotch	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Clynelish 11 Yr. Scotch	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Glen Grant 10 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Glenrothes 8 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Highland Park 8 Yr. 750ml G & M Pulteney 21 Yr.	6 Bottles 6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Speymalt MacAllan 2007	6 Bottles
	750ml G & M Strathmill 10 Yr.	6 Bottles
	750ml Machetazo Papalote Mezcal	6 Bottles

Working Bugs, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC) Western Spirits Beverage	375ml Red Cedar Spirits Cherry Brandy	12 Bottles
Western Spins Beverage Company, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC) WJ Deutsch & Sons, Ltd. (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	50ml Bird Dog Kentucky Bourbon PL 750ml Calumet Farm Single Rack 10 Yr. 750ml Citadelle No Mistake Old Tom Gin 50ml Licor 43	60 Bottles 6 Bottles 6 Bottles 60 Bottles

That the request of Ann Arbor Distilling Company, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following product to the approved products list with exceptions, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of this product through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Ann Arbor Distilling Company, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for this product:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
375ml Spaulding's Peppermint Schnapps	12 Bottles

That the request of Ethanology L.L.C., holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following product to the approved products list with exceptions, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of this product through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Ethanology L.L.C., must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for this product:

PACK SIZE 12 Bottles

PRODUCT	
375ml Ethanology Grappa of Gewurtzt	

That the request of Long Road Distillers LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following products to the approved products list with exceptions, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of these products through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Long Road Distillers LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for these products:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Long Road Nocino Walnut	6 Bottles
750ml Long Road Raspberry Liqueur	6 Bottles
750ml Long Road Straight Rye Whiskey	6 Bottles
375ml Long Road Nocino Walnut	12 Bottles

That the request of Sanctuary Brewery, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following products to the approved products list with exceptions, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of these products through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Sanctuary Brewery, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for these products:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
375ml Sanctuary Spirits Whiskey	12 Bottles
375ml Sanctuary Spirits White Whiskey	12 Bottles

That the request of Working Bugs, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following product to the approved products list with exceptions, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of this product through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Working Bugs, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for this product:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
375ml Red Cedar Spirits Black Gin	12 Bottles

**A.** That the products listed below be granted exceptions to the standard pack size, inasmuch as the items are packaged nationally or meets other exceptions as indicated and be approved for listing in the approved products list effective December 31, 2017:

COMPANY/ADA	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
Chatham Imports, Inc. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Michter's Toasted Brrl Finish	3 Bottles
Davos Brands, LLC (General Wine & Liquor Co.)	1000ml Aviation Gin PL	6 Bottles

**B.** That the following requests for addition of product to the approved products list be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017:

COMPANY/ADA	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
Caffo Beverages Inc. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Borsci San Marzano 750ml Sgnape Dal Fogolar 750ml Vecchia Grappa Caffo	12 Bottles 12 Bottles 12 Bottles

Coppercraft Distillery, LLC (General Wine & Liquor Co.) Georgian Royal Collection, Inc. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Coppercraft Blend Straight Bourbor 750ml Coppercraft Straight BBN 97 750ml Fukano Whiskey	12 Bottles 12 Bottles 12 Bottles
Gray Skies Distillery, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Gray Skies Breakfast Rye	12 Bottles
Immortal Brands LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Virus Vodka	12 Bottles
Charles Jacquin Et Cie, Inc.	1000ml Boulaine Anisette	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	1000ml Boulaine Apricot and Brandy	12 Bottles
	1000ml Boulaine Peppermint Schnapps	12 Bottles
MHW, Ltd.	1000ml Boulaine Vanilla Schnapps	12 Bottles 12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	1000ml Bols Ginger Liqueur 1000ml Bols Mango Liqueur	12 Bottles
	1000ml Bols Pineapple Chipotle	12 Bottles
MHW, Ltd.	50ml Nemiroff Vodka	120 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)		
Nawrocki Imparts, LLC	375ml Bull Run Regnig Dag Aquavit	24 Bottles
(CKL Corporation)	750ml Bull Run Barrel Strength	12 Bottles
	750ml Bull Run Medoyeff Starka	12 Bottles
	750ml Bainbridge Heritage Doug Fir Gin	12 Bottles
Northern United Brewing	750ml Civilized Sakura Cherry	12 Bottles
Company, LLC	750ml Civilized Vodka	12 Bottles 12 Bottles
(CKL Corporation) Park Street Imports LLC	750ml Civilized White Dog Whiskey 50ml Berentzen Apple	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	Som Berenizen Apple	120 Dollies
Pernod Ricard USA, LLC	50ml Jameson Caskmates IPA	120 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	375ml Jameson Caskmates IPA	24 Bottles
	100ml Martell VS Single Distillery	48 Bottles
Proximo Spirits, Inc.	750ml Hangar 1 Rose Vodka	12 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)		
Sazerac Company, Inc.	1750ml Fireball Cinnamon PL	6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	1750ml Member's Mark Silver	6 Bottles
TI Beverage Group, Ltd.	750ml Black Death Vodka	12 Bottles
(CKL Corporation) Diageo Americas, Inc.	750ml Baileys Strawberries & Cream	12 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	50ml Capt Morgan Watermelon Smas	12 Bottles
	750ml Myer's Original Dark (Jam) PL	12 Bottles
Vision Wine & Spirits, LLC	750ml Centenario Anejo Especial 7 Yr.	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Centenario Conmemorativo 9 Yr.	12 Bottles
	750ml Centenario Gran Legado 12 Yr.	12 Bottles

That the request of Blue Sky Brewing, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following products to the approved products list, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of these products through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Blue Sky Brewing, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for these products:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Thornapple Apple Brandy	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Artisan Spirits Rum	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Artisan Spirits Whiskey	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Cherry Brandy	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Cherry Cordial	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Coffee Rum	12 Bottles
750ml Thornapple Pear Brandy	12 Bottles

That the request of D'Still, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following products to the approved products list, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of these products through the Commission's spirit distribution system, D'Still, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for these products:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Motor City Gas Hopped Mess	12 Bottles
750ml Motor City Gas Scrapper	12 Bottles
750ml Motor City Gas Shifter 6 Gear	12 Bottles
750ml Motor City Gas Stink Eye Rye	12 Bottles
750ml Motor City Gas Shifter 7th Gear	12 Bottles

That the request of Gray Skies Distillery, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following product to the approved products list, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of this product through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Gray Skies Distillery, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for this product:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Gray Skies Breakfast Rye	12 Bottles

That the request of Sanctuary Brewery, LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following products to the approved products list, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of these products through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Sanctuary Brewery, LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for these products:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Krampus Koffee Likker PL	12 Bottles
375ml Zuttermesiters Pepprmnt Schnapps	24 Bottles

That the request of Two James Spirits LLC, holder of 2017 Small Distiller license, for addition of the following product to the approved products list, be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017; further prior to any sale and distribution of this product through the Commission's spirit distribution system, Two James Spirits LLC, must submit and receive Commission approval for an amended liquor quotation which designates an Authorized Distribution Agent for this product:

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
750ml Two James Backroom Peated BBN	12 Bottles

**C.** That the following requests for promotional or special packaging be approved for listing, effective December 3, 2017:

COMPANY/ADA	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
Sazerac North America, Inc. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	1750ml Canadian Ltd. PL w/Sht Gls	6 Bottles
Jim Beam Brands Co. (NWS Michigan, LLC)	375ml Courvoisier VS w/50ml VSOP	12 Bottles
Disaronno International, LLC	750ml The Irishman Founder Rsv w/2 Gls	
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Writers Tears Copper Pot w/2 Gls	6 Bottles
E. & J. Gallo Winery	750ml E&J VS w/50ml E&J Apple	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml E&J Vanilla w/50ml E&J Apple	12 Bottles
Charles Jacquin Et Cie, Inc.	750ml Pravda Expresso Vodka w/2 Gls	6 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)	750ml Sweet Revenge w/2 Shot Gls	6 Bottles
MHW Ltd.	750ml Beluga Noble w/Gl	6 Bottles
(NWS Michigan, LLC)	-	
Pernod Ricard USA, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	1750ml Malibu Coconut w/Pineapple	6 Bottles

Davos Brands, LLC	750ml Aviation Gin w/Muddler	6 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)		

**C.** That the following requests for promotional or special packaging be approved for listing, effective December 31, 2017:

COMPANY/ADA	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
Pernod Ricard USA, LLC (NWS Michigan, LLC)	750ml Malibu Coconut w/50ml Lime	12 Bottles

### After discussion, the following product is denied:

<u>COMPANY</u>	PRODUCT	PACK SIZE
Charles Jacquin Et Cie, Inc.	200ml Orig Bartndrs Bananas Over You	12 Bottles
(General Wine & Liquor Co.)		

Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the above actions be taken in accordance with the E-Quote reports as written, and presented, dated November 13, 2017; motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. Commissioner Quimby advised the Schedule of MLCC Meetings for 2017 would need to be amended to change the date of the Semi-Annual Public Hearing from Wednesday, December 6, 2017. The Hearing will be changed to Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at 10:00 am in the Lansing office.

Moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove that the Schedule of MLCC Meetings 2017 be amended to change the date of the Semi-Annual Public Hearing and the amended schedule be posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 257, PA 1976, as amended; motion carried by unanimous vote.

- **IV.** Commissioner Quimby advised that the request to approve the Schedule of MLCC Meetings for 2018 would held as there were questions.
- V. Old Business.

There was no Old Business.

VI. New Business.

There was no New Business.

#### **VII.** Public Comments.

Attorney Michael Brown advised the Commission that one of his clients had a conditional license issued, and the seller's license to be transferred was automatically placed into escrow at the time of issuance of the conditional license. However, since the conditional license is mailed, which can take 5-7 days, this created a period of time when the seller had an inactivated license and the buyer (the conditional licensee) did not yet have the conditional license in hand. This creates a problem of a period of non-licensure and also effects the ability for alcohol ordering, and well as being subjected to a possible violation during this time frame. Commissioner Quimby acknowledged that this appears to be, in effect, an unintended automatic suspension of a license due to the mailing time involved. She stated that she would bring it to Chairman Deloney's attention.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Quimby, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the business meeting be adjourned at 9:53 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Teri L. Quimby Commissioner



# BUSINESS MEETING OF THE

## MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

- Held: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 Lansing District Office 525 W Allegan Lansing MI 48933
- Present:Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman<br/>Dennis Olshove, CommissionerAbsent:Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner
  - Staff: Anita Fawcett, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Deloney at 9:36 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- I. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Chairman Deloney, that the minutes of the Commission meeting of November 14, 2017, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- **II.** Chairman Deloney advised the Schedule of MLCC Meetings for 2018 has been presented for approval. He stated this is a schedule of the Commission's meetings and hearings for the calendar year of 2018.

Moved by Chairman Deloney, supported by Commissioner Olshove, that the Schedule of MLCC Meetings 2018 be approved, and the schedule be posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 257, PA 1976, as amended; motion carried by unanimous vote.

- III. Chairman Deloney advised we have received a request for a declaratory ruling from Short's Brewing Company regarding MCL 436.1609(11), and the request was received on November 21, 2017. He stated the Commission, under administrative rule R 436.1973(1) has 30 days to notify the petitioner whether a declaratory ruling will be issued. Chairman Deloney advised that this request for a declaratory ruling is a public document and that the public is allowed to submit written comments to the Commission with regard to this request. A copy of the request is on the Commission's website.
- IV. Chairman Deloney advised we have received a request for a declaratory ruling from Attorney Brennen J. Gorman on behalf of Wesco, Inc. regarding MCL 436.1541 and the request was received on November 22, 2017. He stated the

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Commission, under administrative rule R 436.1973(1) has 30 days to notify the petitioner whether a declaratory ruling will be issued. Chairman Deloney advised that this request for a declaratory ruling is a public document and that the public is allowed to submit written comments to the Commission with regard to this request. A copy of the request is on the Commission's website.

V. Old Business.

There was no Old Business.

VI. New Business.

There was no New Business.

**VII.** Public Comments.

Attorney Michael Brown requested an update on the procedure of automatically escrowing a current license when a conditional license for that location has been issued. Chairman Deloney advised there have been discussions with staff and that has brought up other issues, some technical, that have to be reviewed. He stated we should have the problem resolved shortly.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Chairman Deloney, that the business meeting be adjourned at 9:41 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Andrew J. Deloney Chairman

Anita Fawcett Administrative Assistant