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RESOLUTION 2024-195
CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT FROM CONDITIONAL TO
ANNUAL CLASS 1 CANNABIS CULTIVATOR, CLASS 2 CANNABIS
MANUFACTURER, AND CLASS 5 CANNABIS RETAILER LICENSES

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission (“the Commission”), established pursuant to P.L. 2019, c.153, known and cited as the “Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act,” is charged with implementing the provisions of that Act as well as P.L.2021, c.16, known and cited as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act”; and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2021, the Commission adopted rules pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-35(a)(1) that established the licensure process for cannabis businesses and testing laboratories; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 17:30-6 through 7 outline the application process and requirements for both conditional license applicants and annual license applicants, including eligibility requirements and limitations for social equity businesses, diversely owned businesses, and impact zone businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Commission issued a Notice of Application Acceptance (“Notice”) on July 18, 2023, outlining the specific criteria for the types of applications the Commission would accept, and the dates on which the Commission would begin accepting those applications; and

WHEREAS, the Notice also outlined the specific priority by which applications would be reviewed by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Notice, the Commission began accepting applications for Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator, Class 2 Cannabis Manufacturer, and Testing Laboratories licenses on December 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Notice, the Commission began accepting applications for Class 5 Cannabis Retailer licenses on March 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Notice, the Commission began accepting applications for Class 3 Cannabis Wholesaler, Class 4 Cannabis Distributor, and Class 6 Cannabis Delivery licenses for Social Equity Business applicants only on September 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-6.1(d), the Commission shall review and score cannabis business license applications based on the priority designation of applications as set forth in the regulation and the Notice; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-6.1(d), the Commission shall approve and issue licenses to applicants that receive a full score or greater; and

WHEREAS, to review applications thoroughly and efficiently, the Commission developed an application review process that included the following chronological steps for each application received:

1. Priority assignment;
2. Priority verification;
3. Review assignment;
4. Completeness review;
5. Scoring;
6. Qualification, Limitations, Financial/Management Agreement review;
7. Quality Control;
8. Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, for applications deemed incomplete in any respect, the application was sent back to the applicant with direction on how to appropriately cure any deficiencies in the application; and

WHEREAS, upon resubmission of a cured application, the application was placed in line for review in accordance with its priority designation and the time at which it was resubmitted; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.8 sets forth the requirements for a conditional licensee to convert to an annual license; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.8, the mandatory application requirements for all conditional conversion license applicants include:

1. Submission of any updates to Persons of Interest or Entities of Interest, and any other changes to mandatory information previously submitted as part of the conditional license application;
2. A site plan of the proposed location, including a floor plan and a description of the suitability of the location, which may include renderings, architectural plans, or engineering plans;
3. Evidence of compliance with local codes and ordinances for the proposed location, which may include, but not be limited to: (a) the distance from the closest church, synagogue, temple, or other place used exclusively for religious worship; or (b) the distance to the closest school, playground, park, or child daycare facility;
4. Zoning approval, which shall consist of a letter or affidavit from appropriate municipal officials that the location will conform to municipal zoning requirements allowing for activities related to the operations of the proposed cannabis cultivator,

cannabis manufacturer, or cannabis retailer, as will be conducted at the proposed cannabis business premises, and any variances granted concerning the operation of a cannabis business;

5. Proof of local support for the license applicant, which shall be demonstrated by a resolution adopted by the municipality's governing body, or, where the municipality has no governing body, a written letter of support from the municipality's executive;
6. Documentation demonstrating that the license applicant will have final site control of the premises upon approval of the application;
7. An attestation signed by a bona fide labor organization stating that the license applicant has entered into a labor peace agreement with such bona fide labor organization, except that a conditional license holder operating as a microbusiness is exempt from this requirement; and
8. For a Social Equity Business, Diversely Owned Business, or Impact Zone Business, evidence the license applicant is still in compliance with the requirements of the designations; and

WHEREAS, conditional conversion license applicants must submit all required application materials as outlined on pages 18 through 21 in the Commission's Notice, receive full points for all scored application measures, and satisfy all criminal history background check requirements under N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.12; and

WHEREAS, for conditional conversion applications deemed incomplete in any respect, the application was sent back to the applicant with direction on how to appropriately cure any deficiencies in the application; and

WHEREAS, upon resubmission of a cured application, the application was placed in line for review in accordance with its priority designation and the time at which it was resubmitted; and

WHEREAS, the below list of conditional licensees have submitted applications to convert their conditional Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator, Class 2 Cannabis Manufacturer, and Class 5 Cannabis Retailer licenses to annual licenses, have cured their application as necessary, have passed review by Commission staff, and are recommended by Commission staff for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-35(a)(1) and N.J.A.C. 17:30-6 through 7 the following conditional licensees have satisfied the requirements set forth in regulation, and the Commission has determined to approve the licensees' conditional cannabis business conversion applications to convert to an annual license:

No.	Application ID	Applicant Business Name	Conditional Application ID	License Class	Business Category
1	3449	West Orange Farms	1361	Cultivator	Microbusiness
2	4343	Bliss New Jersey, Inc.	2202	Cultivator	Standard
3	3008	Jessika Mialaa LLC	1065	Cultivator	Standard
4	2695	Lucky Buds LLC	2361	Cultivator	Standard
5	3617	Organic Green Buds LLC	1994	Cultivator	Standard
6	2925	Quail Pond Farms	1176	Cultivator	Standard
7	3422	Victory Natural Farms LLC	1358	Cultivator	Standard
8	4156	TLEHL Inc	2669	Manufacturer	Microbusiness
9	2995	DMW Holdings LLC	1264	Manufacturer	Standard
10	3340	Garden Society NJ LLC	1078	Manufacturer	Standard
11	3843	Heritage Cannabis Farms LLC	2787	Manufacturer	Standard
12	3600	Lucky Buds LLC	2444	Manufacturer	Standard
13	2796	Mule Extracts LLC	1312	Manufacturer	Standard
14	2773	Statewide Property Holdings NJ LLC	2156	Manufacturer	Standard
15	3423	Victory Natural Farms LLC	2306	Manufacturer	Standard
16	4288	Andover Cannabis LLC	2639	Retailer	Microbusiness
17	3805	Atlantic Flower	2697	Retailer	Microbusiness
18	2964	Butler & Baldwin LLC	1684	Retailer	Microbusiness
19	3973	Essence Wellness	1806	Retailer	Microbusiness
20	3619	High Key 201 LLC	1733	Retailer	Microbusiness
21	4676	Jane's Joint	2129	Retailer	Microbusiness
22	4675	NJ Pure	1996	Retailer	Microbusiness
23	2875	Peaches Garden, LLC	2033	Retailer	Microbusiness
24	2961	Queen of Spades LLC	1843	Retailer	Microbusiness
25	4171	Central Jersey Dispensary	1677	Retailer	Standard
26	5005	Community Greenhouse LLC	1755	Retailer	Standard

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27	2625	Cure Wellness NJ LLC	2132	Retailer	Standard
28	3415	Emerald Tea Supply Company	1570	Retailer	Standard
29	3027	Fresh Elizabeth LLC	2542	Retailer	Standard
30	3265	La Vida Gardens LLC	2309	Retailer	Standard
31	2895	Mad Hatter Dispensaries LLC	2293	Retailer	Standard
32	3247	Shigh LLC	2355	Retailer	Standard
33	3434	STIIIZY New Jersey LLC	1492	Retailer	Standard
34	3286	The Dispensary of Somerset	2672	Retailer	Standard
35	2872	The Dispensary of Union	1473	Retailer	Standard
36	2762	The Frosted Nug at Red Bank	2019	Retailer	Standard

Submitted by:



Dianna Houenou, Chair

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at its meeting held on the 17th day of January 2024.



Christopher Riggs, Chief Counsel

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Barker					X	
Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso		X	X			
Commissioner Delgado						X
Chairwoman Houenou			X			
Commissioner Nash	X		X			