

GOOD CHEMISTRY OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC.
MRN281702

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name of the Marijuana Establishment and its application number:

Good Chemistry of Massachusetts, Inc.

2. Address of the Marijuana Establishment:

9 Harrison Street, Worcester, MA 01604

3. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

Retailer

4. Applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment license(s):

Cultivation, Tier 4/Indoor (20,001-30,000 sq. ft) (MCN281557)
Product Manufacturer (MPN281410)

5. List of all required individuals and their business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Matt Huron—Board Member
Keith Nuber—Executive
Stephen Spinosa—Executive
Duncan Cameron—Executive

6. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

No entity, other than the applicant, appear to have direct or indirect authority over the Marijuana Establishment

7. Priority status of applicant:

RMD Priority (RP201817)

8. Location and status of business if it is an RMD:

The RMD is in compliance with the Department of Public Health (DPH).
The RMD business will be co-located with the adult-use business in Worcester.
The RMD has a Final Certificate of Registration for dispensing, cultivation, and processing.

9. Information regarding host community agreement certification:

The Host Community Agreement was executed on July 13, 2018; certification provided.

10. Information regarding community outreach meeting:

The community outreach meeting was held on June 18, 2018.
Notice was published at least seven days prior in the Telegram & Gazette.
The applicant certified notice to the municipality and abutters.
The applicant certified compliance with the community outreach meeting requirements.

11. Any objections regarding compliance with local ordinances and bylaws presented by the municipality:

No objections were communicated to the Commission. The Commission received a response from the municipality on October 10, 2018, stating that the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.

12. Summary of plan to positively impact areas of disproportionate impact:

The applicant plans to do the following:

- a. Give a hiring preference to residents of the areas of disproportionate impact close in proximity to its establishments, such as Mansfield, Taunton, and Worcester;
- b. Work with workforce development organizations;
- c. Prioritize the hiring of local vendors and suppliers;
- d. Host education seminars on best business practices; and
- e. Organize and sponsor teams of volunteers to help clean up neighborhoods in areas of disproportionate impact including such activities as graffiti removal, trash clean-up, and planting gardens.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

13. Concerns arising from background checks on individuals associated with the application:

No suitability issues currently exist.

14. Concerns arising from background checks on entities associated with the application:

No suitability issues currently exist.

15. Applicant's disclosure of any past civil or criminal actions:

No disclosures.

16. Applicant's disclosure of any occupational license issues:

No disclosures.

17. Applicant's disclosure of any business interests in other jurisdictions:

Matthew Huron disclosed marijuana-related business interests in two companies in Colorado (Good Chemistry Nevada, LLC and Sweetwater Partners, LLC).

These disclosures did not raise suitability issues.

18. Status of applicant's compliance with the Department of Revenue and Secretary of the Commonwealth:

March 1, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Secretary of the Commonwealth
(Certification Number: 18030012560)

June 19, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Department of Revenue
(Letter ID: L1791751296)

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

19. Applicant's proposed timeline to become operational in the adult-use market:

The applicant is an existing RMD and states that it can be operational once given approval from the Commission.

20. Applicant's proposed hours of operation:

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

21. Applicant's compliance with submitting summaries of the following plans, policies and procedures:

- a. Security Plan
- b. Prevention of Diversion Plan
- c. Storage of Marijuana Plan
- d. Transportation Plan
- e. Inventory Procedures
- f. Quality Control and Testing Procedures
- g. Personnel Procedures
- h. Dispensing Procedures
- i. Record-Keeping Procedures
- j. Maintenance of Financial Records Policy
- k. Diversity Plan

The applicant is fully compliant with submitting all summaries. All summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable. Full compliance will be reviewed during inspections and will be required before a final license is issued.

22. Summary of diversity plan:

The applicant plans to do the following:

- a. Hire a diverse workforce representative of the population of Worcester;
- b. Host a diversity job fair annually in areas of disproportionate impact;
- c. Partner with local organizations to target individuals from areas of disproportionate impact for recruitment; and
- d. Institute a program called Employee Resource Groups, which are voluntary, employee-led groups based on shared characteristics or life experience that foster a diverse and inclusive workplace.

The applicant will conduct regular and continuous evaluations regarding its goals.

23. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable.

24. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

Not applicable.

25. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

The applicant is a vertically integrated RMD that has also applied for adult-use licenses for cultivation and product manufacturing operations. The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses. If the need arises, it will contract with other licensed establishments for additional product.

26. ISO 17025 Certifying Body and Certificate Number (if applicable):

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend issuing a provisional license with the following conditions:

- (1) Final license is subject to certification that the applicant remains in compliance with DPH regulations, 105 CMR 725.000;
- (2) Final license is subject to inspection and audit to ascertain compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable;
- (3) Final license is subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that the facilities are compliant with all applicable state and local codes, bylaws, ordinances, and regulations;
- (4) The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission investigators, agents, and employees upon request; and
- (5) Provisional license is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee pursuant to 935 CMR 500.005.

This recommendation was based on the applicant's demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth, suitability for licensure, and upon the evaluation of the thoroughness of the applicant's responses to the required criteria.

Commission staff certify that a due diligence review of the applications was performed. As of this date, the applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Accordingly, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure with the previously mentioned conditions.