

**BAKED BEAN, LLC**  
MPN281406

**BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

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

Baked Bean, LLC

2. Address of the Marijuana Establishment:

504 Quaker Highway, Uxbridge, MA 01569

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

Product Manufacturer

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

The applicant has disclosed its intent to apply for a transportation license.

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

Rich Rainone—Owner

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

There are no other entities, other than the applicant, that appear to have an interest in this Marijuana Establishment.

7. Priority status of applicant:

General applicant.

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

Not applicable.

9. Information regarding host community agreement certification:

The Host Community Agreement was executed on June 18, 2018; certification provided.

10. Information regarding community outreach meeting:

The community outreach meeting was held on May 30, 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 30, 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 in Worcester and Southbridge:

- a. Conduct career fairs;
- b. Work with local workforce development boards to identify and recruit potential employees;
- c. Partner with community colleges to identify and recruit interested candidates;
- d. Conduct food drives to benefit local pantries; and
- e. Coordinate with local groups fighting addiction.

The applicant plans to perform annual reviews of its plan.

**SUITABILITY REVIEW**

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

No concerns.

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

No concerns.

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 marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions:

No disclosures.

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

April 26, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Secretary of the Commonwealth  
July 17, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Department of Revenue  
(Letter ID: L0245800064)

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW**

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

The applicant states that it will require architectural changes. Once approved for these changes by the Commission, the applicant expects all structural modifications to be complete in approximately 30 days. Once complete, the applicant states it will be ready for inspection and to commence operations.

20. Applicant's proposed hours of operation:

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 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:

- i. Form a diversity and equality committee to accomplish the goal of being diverse and to promote equitable hiring practices;
- ii. Conduct outreach to local VFW facilities to seek eligible and qualified employees;
- iii. Advertise employment opportunities in diverse areas; and
- iv. Create incentives for current employees to recruit individuals from diverse backgrounds.

The applicant will analyze the success of its plan annually.

23. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable.

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

The applicant plans to produce only oil for vaporizer cartridges at this time.

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

Not applicable.

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 inspection and audit to ascertain compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable;
- (2) Final license is subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that its facilities are compliant with all applicable state and local codes, bylaws, ordinances, and regulations;
- (3) The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission investigators, agents, and employees upon request;
- (4) Provisional license subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee pursuant to 935 CMR 500.005;
- (5) Final license is subject to the licensee providing Commission staff more specific information on the type of information that will be presented to veterans at the proposed educational and informational sessions stated within the plan to positively impact areas of disproportionate impact; and
- (6) Final license is subject to the licensee providing Commission staff documentation demonstrating that the non-profit and/or charitable organizations that it plans to donate financial benefits to can receive such benefits from a marijuana-related business.

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 application 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.