

**PIONEER VALLEY EXTRACTS, LLC**  
MPN281417

**BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Pioneer Valley Extracts, LLC  
43 Ladd Avenue, Northampton, MA 01062

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

Product Manufacturer

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

Applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other establishment license.

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

Kristen Mara – Executive / Officer  
David Cichocki – Executive / Officer

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

USL of Bloomfield CT, LLC and Leasing Innovations Corporation are providing initial capital.

6. Applicant's priority status and information pertaining to co-located operations:

General Applicant.

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on June 15, 2018.

8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on May 25, 2018 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on October 24, 2018 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.

10. The applicant proposed the following programs for its Positive Impact Plan:
  - a. Provide a minimum of fifty (50) hours annually towards education in the marijuana industry; and
  - b. Provide monetary donations and/or volunteer time to local charities and non-profit organizations located within areas of disproportionate impact.

### **SUITABILITY REVIEW**

11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.
12. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW**

13. The applicant states that it can be operational approximately six (6) weeks from provisional licensure.
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
15. The applicant submitted all applicable and required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
16. The applicant proposed the following programs for its Diversity Plan:
  - a. Organize internal diversity programs and training events for employees; and
  - b. Advertise open positions, conduct outreach and attend career fairs to attract diverse employees.
17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable.
18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):
  - a. Oils;
  - b. Vape cartridges
  - c. Jelly;
  - d. Topical balm; and
  - e. Tinctures.
19. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations;
2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
3. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff;
4. Final license is subject to the licensee providing Commission staff with an amended Positive Impact Plan clarifying the specific areas of the marijuana industry that will be included in the educational seminars; and
5. Final license is subject to the licensee providing a set of goals for its diversity plan and initiative.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.