RISE HOLDINGS, INC.
MC281674
MP281453

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

   Rise Holdings, Inc.
   28 Appleton Street, Holyoke, MA 01040

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

   Cultivation – Tier 11 / Indoor (90,001 – 100,000 sq. ft)
   Product Manufacturing

LICENSING OVERVIEW

3. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license types on January 10, 2019.

4. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.

5. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional licenses.

6. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensee or the individuals and entities previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional licenses.

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

7. The initial inspection took place at the facility on March 6, 2019.

8. The licensee’s Marijuana Establishments were inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
9. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishments were not in compliance with all applicable state and local codes, bylaws, laws, ordinances, and regulations.

10. Specific information from Commission staff’s inspection is highlighted below:

   a. **Security**

      Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:
      
      i. The security of all entrances and exits;
      ii. Visitor procedures;
      iii. Limited access areas;
      iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
      v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
      vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

   b. **Inventory and Storage**

      Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:
      
      i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
      ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
      iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

   c. **Cultivation Operation**

      The cultivation area was separated into 13 rooms. Enforcement staff measured the actual canopy of the operation which is as follows:

      | Area            | Square Feet |
      |-----------------|-------------|
      | Mother Room     | 840 sq feet |
      | Veg Room        | 22,230 sq feet |
      | Flower Rooms    | 2,740 sq feet |
      | **Total Canopy**| **25,810 sq feet** |

      The total canopy is within the square footage approved by the Commission.

   d. **Product Manufacturing Operation**

      Enforcement staff verified that all manufacturing-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:
i. Proposed product compliance; and
ii. Safety, sanitation, and security of the area and products.

e. **Transportation**

Enforcement staff verified that all transportation-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

i. Vehicle and staffing requirements;
ii. Communication and reporting requirements; and
iii. Inventory and manifests requirements.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may cultivate, harvest, possess, prepare, produce, and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations;
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations;
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure; and
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 105 (1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

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

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.