NATIVE SUN WELLNESS, INC.
MCN281599

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

   Native Sun Wellness, Inc.
   140 Industrial Road, Fitchburg, MA 01420

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

   Cultivation – Tier 5 / Indoor (30,001 to 40,000 sq.ft)

   The application was reopened four (4) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

   Product Manufacturing (Provisional License: Fitchburg)
   Retail (Provisional License: Hudson)
   MTC (Provisional License: Dispensary in Cambridge)

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

   Timothy Caraboolad – Director
   Mark Schuparra – Director
   Geoffrey Bernstein – Director
   Michael Drayer – Close Associate
   Daniel Linskey – Close Associate

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

   Native Sun Holdings, LLC – Sole Shareholder

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 July 20, 2018.

8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on June 6, 2018 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on August 30, 2019 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.

10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:
    a. Provide a one (1) day industry-specific seminar, quarterly, in Fitchburg; and
    b. Provide mentorship and counseling to seminar participants.

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 within one (1) year of receiving its provisional license.

14. The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:

    Monday – Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 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 goals for its Diversity Plan:
    a. Distribute quarterly internal workplace newsletters or memos encouraging current employees to recommend diverse individuals for employment;
    b. Create a promotion process that will consider at least one woman and one underrepresented minority for every manager position that needs to be filled; and
    c. Conduct quarterly industry-specific training sessions.
17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a detailed cultivation plan that demonstrated the ability to comply with the Commission’s regulations.

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

Not applicable.

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. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee; and
5. Final license is subject to the applicant submitting to Commission staff a revised Diversity Plan with quantifiable and measurable goals.

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.