

MACA INDUSTRIES LLC
MCN281307

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

MACA Industries LLC
2 Condon Way, Hopedale, MA 01747

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

Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened twice (2) for additional information.

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

The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

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

Individual	Role
Michael Kaplan	Owner / Partner
Christopher Goff	Owner / Partner
Amanda Cox	Owner / Partner

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

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this proposed Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on June 3, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 7, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on August 21, 2020 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Reducing barriers to entry into the commercial cannabis industry for at least one but no more than two individuals who have past drug convictions and/or whose parents or spouses have drug convictions.
2	Providing technical, legal, and mentoring for the one to two individuals identified in #1 above.
3	Promote sustainable, socially, and economically reparative practices in the Massachusetts cannabis industry by helping the one to two individuals identified in #1 above, and, MACA anticipates that if these goals are successful during MACA's first full year of operations, MACA will increase the number of individuals identified in #1 above by one.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within nine (9) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 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:

#	Goal
1	MACA will use all reasonable efforts to attract, hire, promote, and retain employees spanning the five above-referenced demographics as employees, managers, and executives such that MACA’s full workforce shall ultimately consist of the following: 60% Women, 40% Minorities, 20% Veterans, 10% Persons with disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+.
2	50% of MACA’s contractors, service providers, and/or third-party vendors or otherwise do business with MACA shall consist of company’s majority-owned by women, minorities, veterans, persons with disabilities, and individuals of the LGBTQ+ Community.
3	Provide tools and opportunities to support employee growth, advancement, and success by meeting with each individual employee at least once per quarter (90 days) to evaluate and determine what training, education, experience, and/or support are necessary to advance the growth and success of the employee.
4	50% of MACA’s management and executive positions shall be filled by women, minorities, veterans, persons with disabilities, and individuals of the LGBTQ+ Community and MACA shall provide tools to ensure their success.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

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

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; and
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.

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.

