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Commission Hears Industry, Agency Updates; Contested Cases

Compliance update sheds light on epidemic of fake IDs

PORTLAND, Ore. – The Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting today heard presentations and updates from staff and industry and acted on stipulated settlements.

The Commissioners received a presentation from the Cannabis Industry Alliance of Oregon (CIAO) and two of their member partner organizations on the state of the industry and their operations. The presentation touched on who CIAO is, the need for support within the industry for diverse-owned business and the efforts to increase the success of the cannabis industry equitably.

A compliance update was presented to Commissioners. As a follow-up to the compliance update last month, staff presented on fake IDs and the challenge the agency is grappling with in regard to the growing quality and quantity of them. In Eugene alone, from December 2023 to today, OLCC inspections have seized 929 fake IDs from licensees. Sharing with Commissioners the size of the problem, each year the equivalent of two fivegallon buckets of fake IDs are destroyed by inspectors. Online sources and social media fuel the supply of fake IDs affecting not only Oregon communities, but across the country.

Commissioners received updates from the distribution team, including information on vendors transitioning from 750mL to 1L bottle sizes, the introduction of new products and the delisting of others, as well as progress on warehouse construction.

The Commission also ratified seven stipulated settlement agreements for alcohol and marijuana licensees and applicants. Detailed information on the specific case below can be found on the OLCC website:

Alcohol Stipulated Settlement Agreements

CACTUS J (F-COM) in Bonanza, <u>will pay a \$2,250 fine</u>, **OR** <u>serve a nine-day suspension</u> for one violation.

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ONTARIO MINI MARKET AND PRODUCE LLC (O) in Ontario, <u>will pay a \$1,750 fine</u>, OR <u>serve a seven-day suspension</u> for one violation.

CIGARETTE OUTLET (O) in Salem, will pay a \$6,045 fine, **OR** serve a thirty-two-day suspension for two violations and be removed from the Responsible Vendor Program.

LOS POTRILLOS RESTAURANT (F-COM) in Klamath Falls, <u>will pay a \$6,045 fine</u>, OR <u>serve a thirty-two-day suspension</u> for two violations.

Marijuana Stipulated Settlement Agreements

TINE TRADING COMPANY (W) in Colorado Springs, CO, <u>will accept a Letter of Reprimand</u> for one violation.

Licensing Stipulated Settlement Agreements

VILLAGE GREEN (Applicant) will accept a producers license with restrictions.

SECRET LOUNGE (Applicant) will accept a F-Com license with restrictions.