



MEMORANDUM

TO: Bob Klein, Chair, and Members of the
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

DATE: October 15, 2018

FROM: Erika McConnell, Director

RE: #5723 & 5724 Matanuska Brewing
Company

Requested Action: Approve new license applications with licensee-requested conditions

Statutory and Regulatory Authority: AS 04.06.090(b): "The board shall review all applications for licenses made under this title and may order the director to issue, renew, revoke, transfer, or suspend licenses and permits authorized under this title."

Sec. 04.11.395: "The board may, in the best interests of the public, impose conditions or restrictions on a license or permit issued under this chapter."

Staff Rec.: Approve new license applications with delegation; determine whether the requested conditions are in the best interests of the public

Background: Anchorage Alehouse, LLC and Eagle River Alehouse, LLC have each applied for a package store license within the Municipality of Anchorage. Matt Tomter – the majority shareholder of each entity – has requested that the board place restrictions on these licenses that would limit the package stores to only selling beer and/or only beer produced by the Matanuska Brewing Company (a brewery license held by Matanuska Brewing Company, LLC, of which Mr. Tomter is a 9.99% shareholder).

The local government (Municipality of Anchorage) response is pending.

Attachment: Request for restrictions

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Subject: Licensee imposed package store sales restriction.

Dear Mrs. Oates

The Board has the authority under AS 04.11.395 to impose conditions or restrictions on a license if it in the best interests of the public to do so. I am requesting that in the best interest of the public that the Board does impose restrictions on 2 Package store licenses that I am applying for to put into service.

We are a brewery company. We have 2 restaurants in the Municipality of Anchorage. One in Eagle River and one in Anchorage. Our soul purpose for these package store licenses is to allow us to sell growlers of the beer we make and sell packaged beer we make "to go" from our restaurant locations.

I firmly believe in both Eagle River and in Midtown Anchorage we have enough package stores selling all kinds of alcohol to meet the public need. Our company deals with a vagrant population in both communities that have significant problems with Alcohol. We are not interested in these licenses now or ever adding to the problems our communities are dealing with every day.

Our desire is to utilize a package store license to operate a growler bar and beer to go from our restaurant locations. I asks that the Board impose permanent restrictions on both of the license that I have applied for, that limit the license to the sale of Beer at our locations. If you can, I would request that the sale of beer will be limited to the Beer produced by the Matanuska Brewing Company.

I believe this is in the best interest of our communities and to the public at large. Please give this request you every consideration.

Sincerely,

Matthew A. Tomter

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