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Cover Sheet for Marijuana Establishment Applications

What is this form?

This cover sheet **must** be completed and submitted any time a document, payment, or other marijuana establishment application item is emailed, mailed, or hand-delivered to AMCO's main office.

Items that are submitted without this page will be returned in the manner in which they were received.

Section 1 – Establishment Information

Enter information for the business seeking to be licensed, as identified on the license application.

Licensee:	FAT TOPS, LLC.	**License Number:**	11140		
License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store				
Doing Business As:	FAT TOPS, LLC.				
Physical Address:	36380 Murray Lane				
City:	Soldotna	**State:**	AK	**Zip Code:**	99669
Designated Licensee:	David Parker				
Email Address:	daveparker907@gmail.com				

Section 2 – Attached Items

List all documents, payments, and other items that are being submitted along with this page.

Attached Items:

Please file:
Response to letters of objection.

Thank you.

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Re: Fat Tops, LLC
Retail Cannabis Store License no. 11140 & Standard Cultivation Facility License no. 11138
Response to Letters of Objection

Dear AMCO Representative:

I am writing this letter on behalf of my client, Fat Tops, LLC, proposed cannabis retail store license and standard cultivation facility. I have had an opportunity to review the letters of objection filed by Mr. Rahn Kerkvliet, James W. Bergevin, Spencer and Janice Archibald, S.M. Mettler, and Mr. Rick Birch, and respond as follows.

In reviewing all of the letters in opposition filed, all seem to have concerns that mirror one another: traffic site generating safety issues; disruption of the neighborhood; a cluster of U.S. Post Office boxes across from the proposed site; the location of a church; and pickup and drop-off of children at the bus stop. It should be noted first that there are no state or local regulations prohibiting the establishment of Fat Tops, LLC either retail store or standard cultivation facility at this proposed premises. The church is well over the required distance under both the state and local rules. As to the traffic pattern, it is an intersection off the Sterling Highway. There is plenty of room for vehicles to turn in and out.

There are no regulations against a cannabis establishment being located at or near a US Post Office pick up box, where people pick up their mail. Furthermore, this is a good distance from their proposed location. As to the claim of disruption of the neighborhood, in reality, the neighborhood will be safer. There will be installed state of the art security systems, including 24-hour video surveillance with infrared. No doubt this video will capture traffic coming to and from the intersection as vehicles turn off of the Sterling Highway. Virtually every vehicle that turns in and off Murray Lane will be on videotape. Furthermore, the retail establishment only sells to persons over 21 years of age. No minors are permitted upon the licensed premises. There are no exceptions to this.

Many of these types of letters have been filed on behalf of multiple retail or cultivation facilities throughout the state. In reviewing these, there is no legal basis in which to justify denial of Fat Tops' applications to the State of Alaska.

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My client, through its members, have nothing but the highest regard and respect for the laws that have been imposed surrounding this industry. To date, a number of cultivation facilities, and retail stores, have opened their doors. We are not seeing a string of armed robberies, sales to minors or otherwise. What we are seeing is people purchasing cannabis at state licensed and approved retail stores in an orderly fashion and lawful fashion. I, along with my client, understand that change is difficult for some people, and this is certainly one of those topics. My client continues to work with community leaders and will continue to work with members of the community as well to ensure they run only a top flight, first class operation. Thousands of dollars have been invested into this location, and hundreds more are to follow. The economic boom for the area is significant, as much of this area suffers from underemployment/unemployment. Jobs will be created; taxes generated; new roads, schools, sidewalks, parks and other facilities built as a direct result from taxes received from legal and licensed cannabis sales and regulation.

In closing, while the objection letters bring concern, they do not appear to be legally sufficient in order for Fat Tops, LLC retail cannabis store application and standard cultivation license to be denied on either a state or local level.

Thank-you for your time and consideration in reading this response. I am available, as well as my client, to answer any questions you or any other concerned citizen may have.

Sincerely,
LAW OFFICES OF LANCE C. WELLS, LLC

By: _____
Lance C. Wells, Esq.

cc: Fat Tops, LLC

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