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The Explorer Hotel
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By Email

Re: Request to carry products from NWT Brewing Company

Dear Mr. Paquette:

The Liquor Licensing Board met via teleconference today to consider your request to carry products from NWT Brewing Company. The Board agreed that your request must be denied.

Subsection 113(1) of the Liquor Regulations requires licence holders in the Northwest Territories to purchase their liquor inventory from the Liquor Commission – either through a liquor warehouse or a liquor store. To the Board's knowledge, NWT Brewing Company is not a vendor operating a liquor store as defined under the Liquor Act. While the Board is encouraged by your interest in supporting local business, there is no statutory authority for the Board to authorize a premises licence holder to purchase their liquor inventory from anywhere except a liquor store or liquor warehouse.

Subsections 52(2) and 52(4) of the Liquor Regulations prohibit a manufacturing licence holder (NWT Brewing Company) from selling to the public (patrons) unless the manufacturing licence holder also holds a premises licence with a manufacturer's extension or they hold a manufacturer's retail outlet licence. Subsection 52(3) of the Liquor Regulations limits a manufacturing licence holder (NWT Brewing Company) to selling its product only to a Liquor Commission. I would suggestion you contact the Liquor Commission to request that they carry NWT Brewing Company's products in their inventory so that you may purchase it to sell as you would any other liquor.

Sincerely.

Adelle Guigon, CTAJ

A/Chairperson