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May 25, 2023

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Re: Application for MMTC Licensure – Errors and Omissions Letter

Dear Premier Bioscience, LLC,

On April 28, 2023, the Florida Department of Health received your application for MMTC licensure (the "Application"). The Department has identified the following apparent errors or omissions in your Application.

1. Subsection 4.3.3, Level 2 Background Screening

Subsection 4.3.3 of the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center License Application Instructions, Requirements, and Forms ("Application Instructions") requires an applicant's owners and managers to submit a full set of fingerprints to a Livescan Service Provider for purposes of level 2 background screening. The Department has not yet received an FDLE background report for the following individual, who is identified as an owner or manager in Subsection 4.3.3 of your Application:

- [REDACTED] 435.09

Please ensure that this individual has successfully submitted a full set of fingerprints to a Livescan Service Provider for purposes of level 2 background screening. Once that is accomplished, the Department will be provided the background report by FDLE.

Additionally, Subsection 4.3.3 of the Application Instructions requires that the applicant submit a completed Form 2 (Waiver Agreement and Statement) for each owner or manager, as those terms are defined by Department rules. The Form 2 contained in Subsection 4.3.3 of your Application is either incomplete or incorrect for the following individual:

- [REDACTED] – Form 2 is missing a date of birth.

Please provide a complete Form 2 executed by the above-listed individual with all required information.

2. Subsection 4.8.4. Prior Enforcement Action

Subsection 4.8.4 of the Application Instructions requests that the applicant provide information about prior enforcement actions taken against the applicant and its owners and managers.

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Your Application does not contain a Subsection 4.8.4 with the requested information.

Please provide the information requested in Subsection 4.8.4 of the Application Instructions.

3. Subsection 4.12.1, Certified Financial Statements

Section 381.986(8)(b)7., Florida Statutes, requires that an applicant for MMTC licensure demonstrate “the financial ability to maintain operations for the duration of the 2-year approval cycle, including the provision of certified financial statements to the Department.” Subsection 4.12.1 of the Application Instructions requires the certified financial statements to be prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (“GAAP”) and audited in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (“GAAS”) by a Certified Public Accountant (“CPA”) licensed pursuant to Chapter 473, Florida Statutes, or licensed by another state.

Your Application does not contain certified financial statements as required by section 381.986(8)(b)7., Florida Statutes, and Subsection 4.12.1 of the Application Instructions. Although Subsection 4.12.1 of your Application contains financial statements for the applicant, the financial statements do not appear to be in conformity with GAAP because a subsequent event note is dated the same date as the financials were issued. Additionally, it appears that the CPA who prepared the financial statements may not hold an active license.

Please provide certified financial statements for the applicant, as required by Subsection 4.12.1 of the Application Instructions.

Deadline to Respond

The Department must receive the above-requested documentation and information within twenty-one (21) calendar days of the date on which the Department emails this letter to you. See Section 5.1 of the Application Instructions for the submission address and requirements. Failure to supply the requested documentation and information identified above may result in denial of your Application.

If any materials submitted to the Department in response to this letter contain confidential information, you must comply with the requirements of Section 2.4 of the Application Instructions when submitting such information.

Sincerely,

Christopher Kimball

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Director
Office of Medical Marijuana Use