Dear Sir and/or Madam:

Public Act 19-24, “An Act Streamlining the Liquor Control Act,” was signed by Governor Lamont on June 5, 2019, and requires several liquor permit types be repealed and reclassified under existing permit license types, as defined under Title 30 of the General Statutes. These changes will be effective on July 1, 2020.

Our records indicate that you are the holder of a <Permit Type> liquor permit, which is a permit type being repealed. Currently, under state law, there are seven (7) manufacturer permits types. Under the public act, the legislature has consolidated manufacturer permits into four (4) new types and definitions: Manufacturer of Spirits (LMS), Manufacturer Beer (LMB), Manufacturer Farm Winery (LFW), and Manufacturer Wine, Cider, and Mead (LMW).

(Please note: The farm winery (LFW) permit will not be affected.)

What happens next? After July 1, 2020, your current permit will no longer be eligible for renewal. After that date, your permit will be re-classified and re-issued under one of the four new definitions of manufacturer liquor permits types. The Department has created new manufacturer permit prefixes that will be assigned to your premises in place of your current permit when you next renew your existing permit.

The new permit will keep the same annual effective and expiration date as your current <Permit Type>. If you wish to continue manufacturing, distributing, and/or selling alcoholic liquor, you will need to renew under one of the four new manufacturer license types. The next renewal notice you receive will include a set of instructions on how to renew your manufacturer license, so please read them carefully.
The renewal fee for the Manufacturer of Spirits (LMS) will be $1850, Manufacturer Beer (LMB) will be $1400, Manufacturer Farm Winery (LFW) will remain at $300, and Manufacturer Wine, Cider, and Mead (LMW) will be $200.

It is your responsibility as the permit holder to comply with local zoning ordinances governing your new permit type. The definitions of these new permit types can be found in Public Act 19-24, section 5.

For any relevant questions regarding this law change, please visit our website http://portal.ct.gov/DCP-LiquorNews and obtain a copy of “Frequently Asked Questions” page. Our liquor control staff and agents can be reached at (860) 713-6210 or dcp.liquorcontrol@ct.gov

Sincerely,

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