



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Cannabis Regulatory Commission Board

**FROM:** Jeff Brown, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** MPX New Jersey LLC Request for Satellite Dispensary Approval

**DATE:** [APRIL 13, 2023](#)

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**BACKGROUND:** On January 5, 2021, an amended application for the approval of an Alternative Treatment Center (“ATC”) satellite dispensary facility for MPX New Jersey LLC (“MPX”) was submitted and assigned to the assigned Compliance Officer. This application was reviewed and considered by the Department of Health at that time. The application was then put on hold by MPX due to business and construction delays, resulting in the Department of Health not taking any action.

Following considerable delays, MPX initiated the construction phase for its dispensary in February 2022. The assigned Compliance Officer maintained contact with MPX, addressed compliance concerns during the build out, and reviewed the appropriate documents before conducting his final site inspection on December 22, 2022.

The proposed satellite dispensary is to be located at 581 Berlin – Cross Keys Road, Gloucester, New Jersey.

**AUTHORITY:** P.L. 2019, c. 153, “Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act,” (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 through 30) authorizes an alternative treatment center that was issued a permit prior to the effective date of P.L. 2019, c. 153, or that was issued a permit after the effective date of P.L. 2019, c. 153 pursuant to an application submitted prior to the effective date of P.L. 2019, c. 153 to establish up to two satellite locations for the dispensing of medical cannabis or medical cannabis products.

MPX and its predecessor company were awarded their permit through the 2018 Request for Applications process and are therefore authorized to operate satellite dispensaries.

**COMPLETENESS REVIEW:** The Compliance Officer provided all required documentation addressing the steps taken to complete compliance review for the MPX Gloucester Township satellite dispensary request. In addition to multiple on-site inspections and review of the



operator's floor plans, Standard Operating Procedures were reviewed to ensure compliance with the following expectations and standard of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("NJ-CRC"):

- Adverse Event Reporting
- Quality Assurance/Control
- Recall of cannabis and Cannabis Products
- Inventory Control, Storage, and Diversion Prevention
- Recordkeeping
- Waste Disposal and Sanitation
- Dispensing
- Receiving and Reporting of Test Results for Cannabis

The address is 581 Berlin Cross Keys Road, Gloucester Township, New Jersey 08081. This dispensary will be situated in a one-level structure located within the Berlin – Cross Keys Plaza and shares the parking area with a sandwich shop. There is confirmed ample parking for each business.

MPX will continue to utilize the "Dutchie" system for its point-of-sale transactions, as it does at its Atlantic City location. MPX has provided access to the NJ-CRC for its "Dutchie" point of sale system.

A video surveillance system has been installed that provides unobstructed views of the inside and outside of the facility, including the DEA cage and cash safe. Access to the surveillance system has been provided to the NJ-CRC.

MPX received its final certificate of occupancy for the location from the Gloucester Township Building Department on December 27, 2022.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

MPX has submitted all requisite information and documentation to support its application to operate a satellite dispensary in Gloucester Township New Jersey. An onsite compliance inspection has been completed, and all requisite information has been provided and reviewed by OCI staff and the Director. Therefore, it is recommended that the NJ-CRC approve the award and issue a dispensary permit to MPX for its Gloucester Township location, 581 Berlin Cross Keys Road, Gloucester Township, New Jersey 08081.



## APPENDIX

(d)(i) No entity may be issued or concurrently hold more than one medical cannabis cultivator permit, one medical cannabis manufacturer permit, or one medical cannabis dispensary permit at one time, and no medical cannabis dispensary shall be authorized to establish a satellite location on or after the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.), except that an alternative treatment center that was issued a permit prior to the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.) or that was issued a permit after the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.) pursuant to an application submitted prior to the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.) shall be authorized to maintain up to two satellite dispensaries, including any satellite dispensary that was approved pursuant to an application submitted prior to or within 18 months after the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.). The three alternative treatment centers issued permits pursuant to section 11 of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-7.1) that are expressly exempt from the provisions of sub subparagraph (i) of subparagraph (a) of this paragraph shall be authorized to establish and maintain up to one satellite dispensary location, provided that the satellite dispensary was approved pursuant to an application submitted within 18 months after the effective date of P.L.2019, c. 153 (C.24:6I-5.1 et al.).

N.J. Stat. Ann. § 24:6I-7 (West)