Date: May 15, 2020

To: All LCRB Staff
    All Licensees
    All Industry Associations
    All local government, First Nations and police agencies

Re: Extending Authorization for Distilleries, Breweries & Wineries, manufacture, packaging, sale and donation of alcohol-based hand sanitizer and sanitizer

General Manager Authority
Under Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation (LCLR), s. 30, the General Manager of the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch may authorize licenced manufacturing establishments to be used for activities not otherwise authorized under the licence or LCLR.

Extension of Authorization
In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to continue supporting industry with increased opportunities to generate revenue, while also supporting the production of essential health and safety products, the General Manager is extending the authorization for brewery licence holders, winery licence holders, and distillery licensees to use their establishments to manufacture and/or package, sell or donate alcohol-based hand sanitizer and sanitizer until December 31, 2020.

See Policy Directives 20-08, 20-09 and 20-10 for further information on this authorization.

Further Information
Further information regarding liquor and cannabis control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch website at http://www.gov.bc.ca/liquorregulationandlicensing

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch toll free in Canada at 1-866-209-2111 or 250 952-5787 if calling from the Victoria area.

Original signed by

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