STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

Via email: matthew@murphydist.com

IN THE MATTER OF:

Murphy Distributors
Matthew Murphy, Shipper Permittee
14 Beaver Road
Branford, CT 06405-2932

Backer: Murphy Beverage Company Inc.

Liquor Permit LIW.627 Case No. 2024-132

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The Department of Consumer Protection has received a notice from Deane & Hoyle Brands, Inc. holder of out of state shipper liquor permit LSW.1716, for the termination of Murphy Distributors, Murphy Beverage Company Inc., holder of wholesaler liquor permit LIW.627 as the wholesaler for the following products in the State of Connecticut: Gratsi Red, Old Country, Red Table Wine, LBD.202331; Gratsi Rose, Old Country, Rose Table Wine, LBD.202341; and Gratsi Wine, Old Country, White Table Wine, LBD.202340.

Reasons for the request to terminate are stated in a letter sent by Deane & Hoyle Brands, Inc.to the Department of Consumer Protection with a copy to Murphy Beverage Company Inc. on March 26, 2024, and is attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Department hereby gives notice that it will conduct a hearing on whether just and sufficient cause exists for termination and appointment pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 30-17(a)(2).

The hearing will be conducted remotely on the 11th day of April 2024 at 1:00 p.m. The DCP Remote Hearing Instructions are enclosed. The parties should be prepared to present testimony and argument in favor of their respective positions at that time and place.

This matter may be settled in advance of the formal hearing by mutual agreement by both parties. In that event, please provide the written agreement and a request to withdraw the termination complaint to the Department prior the scheduled hearing date.

If you have any questions, please contact Anna C. Martinez of the Department of Consumer Protection's Legal Division by telephone (860) 757-5318, or email Anna.Martinez@ct.gov.

Dated this 28th day of March 2024.

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