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From the Office of John Suchy, Director, Liquor Control Division

Subject: Alcoholic Liquor Product for Sale at Farmers' Markets

As the weather gets warmer and Spring approaches, we can expect to witness a number of additional farmers' markets sprouting up in Connecticut.

The Department of Consumer Protection may issue a farmers' market sales permit to a holder of a manufacturer permit for farm winery, the holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead or the holder of a manufacturer permit for beer.

Such permit authorizes the sale of products manufactured by such permittees during an unlimited number of appearances at a farmers' market at not more than ten (10) farmers' market locations per year provided such holder: (1) Has an invitation from such farmers' market to sell such products at such farmers' market, (2) only sells such products by the bottle or sealed container at such farmers' markets, and (3) is present, or has a authorized representative present, at the time of sale at any such product from such permit holder at such farmers' market.

Any such permit shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance.

The annual fee for such permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). There is also a one-hundred dollars (\$100.00), nonrefundable filing fee for this permit.

Please note that any town or municipality may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit the sale of such products by the holder of such permit at a farmers' market held in such town or municipality.

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Farmers' Market Alcoholic Liquor Products continued

The sale of products at a farmers' market by a permittee holding a farmers' market permit holder is unlawful on any day before 8:00am and after 10:00pm, provided such permittee may not sell such products at any time during such hours that the farmers' market is not open to the public. Again, please note that a town may, by a vote of a town meeting or by ordinance, reduce the number of hours during which the sales of products would be permissible.

This permit does not allow for tastings or samplings, whether for free or for a fee.

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