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Mrs. Cook,

I just wanted to take the time to thank the Commission for the great work and diligence demonstrated by you and your licensing staff related to a couple of demanding projects that were recently completed. Our client, 7-Eleven, Inc. and its beverage company, was recently involved with two large scale acquisitions.

The first involved an acquisition of over 140 TETCO convenience stores. This process involved coordinating licensing for each of these locations, surrendering of existing permits, and ensuring a uniform permitting date for each store's permit to coincide with the applicable closing date. The Commission performed flawlessly throughout.

The second acquisition involved of 140+ Speedy Stop convenience stores. This second acquisition in particular was extremely challenging from a licensing standpoint. Through a series of complex mergers and acquisitions 7-Eleven, Inc. and its beverage company assumed these locations. This resulted in what was likely a first of its kind series of filings with TABC. The Commission was wonderful throughout, working with us through a series of supplemental applications, issuing letters of authority, and again timing the issuance of permits all under an extremely tight window of time.

Were it not for the help of you and your gracious staff none of this could have been accomplished. Particular kudos go out to Jennifer Evans and Dexter Saterfield. Ms. Evans was instrumental in coordinating the issuance of permits and Mr. Saterfield was phenomenal in wading and traversing through the series of supplemental applications the second acquisition required. Additionally, Lori Johnson, Tasha Thomas, Johnna Cunningham, Khristi Polk, Carmen Adams and Marc Solomon were very helpful in the process.

We are all lucky to work with a state agency and staff as excellent as yours!

Best Regards,



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