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Dear Licensee,

In addition to the March 12th and March 16<sup>th</sup> letters informing licensees of restrictions on gatherings and social distancing measures for food and liquor establishments due to the ongoing COVID -19 epidemic, today Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham further mandated that all food and beverage establishments suspend on-premises service of food and liquor.

Beginning March 19, 2020 no restaurant, eatery, bar, brewpub, winery or such shall serve customer for consumption on-premises. Restaurants and bars may be able to take and fulfill "to-go" orders for food, but under no circumstances shall alcohol, beer or spirits be sold for off-premises consumption from a restaurant, food establishment, or bar. Off-premises ("package") are still available from package liquor stores; brewpubs in growler, bottled or canned form; or for package sales from a winery.

We have had many inquiries regarding liquor delivery sales from restaurants. Under New Mexico law, except for limited shipping of wine, there is no liquor delivery in New Mexico from any licensed premises, including restaurants.

We are sympathetic to the impact this may have on your business, but please continue to be vigilant in helping to contain the spread of the virus. Please continue to check our website for any updates.

Respectfully,

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