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OLCC issues three proposed license cancellations

PORTLAND, Ore. – The Oregon Liquor Control Commission proposes to cancel the liquor license **Becken's Winning Hand Tavern**, 5917 & 5919 SE 82nd Ave., Portland; **7-Eleven Store #2362-23999C**, 12045 SW Hall Boulevard, Tigard and **Shell Food Mart**, 486 E. Main, Estacada.

The liquor license for **Becken's Winning Hand Tavern** is held by Timothy M. Becken. The license is being proposed for cancellation due to a history of serious and persistent problems involving unlawful activities in the premises. The problems included the licensee selling methamphetamine on the licensed premises. The licensee was arrested for unlawful possession and delivery of methamphetamine, unlawful possession of cocaine, unlawful possession and delivery of Oxycontin and unlawful possession and delivery of marijuana, all on the licensed premises.

"OLCC staff counseled Mr. Becken in December 2004 and May 2006 about illegal drug activity on the premises," said Carl Lewis, Regional Enforcement Manager. "The fact that he personally participated in five instances of drug activity on the licensed premises within a two-week period shows an unwillingness or inability to obey the laws regarding unlawful drug activity."

The liquor license for **7-Eleven Store #2362-23999C** is held by Malekeh Kamali. Three violations led to the proposed license cancellation. Kamali permitted unlawful activity when she failed to maintain cigarette records on the licensed premises. This unlawful activity led to a conviction of a Class A violation which occurred on the licensed premises. Kamali also failed to report the conviction of a Class A Violation for failure to maintain cigarette records on her license renewal form.

Sukhjit Singh Toor and Raj Kiran Toor of Toor Corporation hold the liquor license for **Shell Food Mart**. Five violations led to the proposed license cancellation. Corporate Principal Sukhjit Singh Toor was convicted of a Class A Misdemeanor, Failure to Maintain Tobacco Records. Licensees failed to disclose the conviction of a Class A Misdemeanor on the license renewal form. Sukhjit Singh Toor was later convicted of a Class C Felony, Unlawful Distribution of Cigarettes which was committed on the licensed premises or in the areas the licensee controls that are adjacent to or outside the premises. Raj Kiran Toor was convicted of a Class A Misdemeanor, Engaging in Business as a Tobacco Distributor Without a License, on the premises or in areas the licensee controls that are adjacent to our outside the premises.

"Having a liquor license is a privilege that comes with great responsibility," said Janice Kindrick, Regional Enforcement Manager. "We expect that our licensees practice ethical management and follow all the laws required to run an honest business."

Failure to disclose arrests or convictions of any type on a renewal form is a violation of Oregon Revised Statute 471.425(1). Permitting unlawful activity is a violation of Oregon Administrative Rule 845-006-0347. A felony or misdemeanor conviction committed on the licensed premises is a violation of Oregon Revised Statute 471.315(1)(a)(l).

All three licensees have requested administrative hearings. Hearing dates are scheduled by the Office of Administrative Hearings.

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