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Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

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**Advisory:
Microbreweries and Similar Businesses**

To Whom It May Concern:

The COVID pandemic and necessary restrictions imposed on businesses to curb its spread has presented unprecedented challenges for both the ATC and the alcohol permitted establishments under its jurisdiction. We understand that regulatory restrictions and requirements had a devastating economic toll and may also have hindered the ability of some permit holders, such as microbreweries, to satisfy certain legal requirements necessary to maintain permit qualifications.

In consideration of this, the ATC will continue to work with microbreweries and other similar businesses that are up for renewal which face permitting issues such as the legal requirement to sell more food than alcoholic beverages. The agency is committed to work with these businesses and will review issues on a case-by-case basis to account for the extenuating circumstances of the past year. This effort is part of the agency's commitment to assist its permit holders during their post-pandemic recovery.

Should you have any questions or concerns, then please do not hesitate to contact Linda Pham at Linda.Pham@atc.la.gov or via telephone at (225) 925-6345.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ernest P. Legier, Jr.", is written over a faint circular stamp.

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