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APPROVAL OF 2020 WHOLESALER SUMMER SHUTDOWN PERIODS

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Pursuant to Alcoholic Beverage Control Law ("ABCL") Sections 101-aa and 101-aaa, manufacturers and wholesalers of liquor, wine, beer, wine products, cider and mead that sell their products to licensed retailers are required to report as delinquent via the Authority's Online Delinquent Management System ("Delinquent List") any retailer that fails to tender payment for a delivery of any such alcoholic beverages within statutorily required payment periods. Certain wholesalers have requested relief from this requirement in connection with summer shutdown periods.

On June 26, 2019, the Members of the Authority at a Full Board meeting delegated to Counsel to the Authority the power to change the date on which any act or function required under ABCL Sections 101-aa or 101-aaa is to be performed by any licensee or the Authority.

Pursuant to that Delegation of Power, Counsel to the Authority hereby announces the following 2020 Summer shutdown periods for wholesalers:

- July 13 - July 17, 2020 (July 6 – July 12, 2020 delivery dates); and
- July 20 - July 31, 2020 (July 13 – July 19, 2020 delivery dates).

The purpose of this Advisory is to advise the industry of approved 2020 Summer shutdown periods for wholesalers and corresponding billing adjustments for the same. Wholesalers are reminded that they must submit to the Authority their customer service contact telephone numbers for retailers to utilize for C.O.D. and other compliance issues during their chosen shutdown period. The following modification to the 2020 liquor/wine credit calendar is thus approved:

- For Wholesalers that opt in for the shutdown period of July 13 -- July 17, 2020 (July 6 – July 12, 2020 delivery dates): orders shipped from Monday July 6, 2020 – Sunday July 12, 2020 will be deemed delivered on Sunday July 12, 2020 which shall be considered the date of delivery for the same. The final payment date for such deliveries shall be Tuesday August 11, 2020.

- For Wholesalers that opt in for the shutdown period of July 20 - July 31, 2020 (July 13 – July 19, 2020 delivery dates): orders shipped from Monday, July 13, 2020 – Sunday, July 19, 2020 will be deemed delivered on Sunday, July 19, 2020, which shall be considered the date of delivery for the same. The final payment date for such deliveries shall be Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Wholesalers that choose to opt into either shutdown period as set forth above must do so by emailing the Wholesale Bureau at: wholesale.bureau@sla.ny.gov no later than *close of business on Friday, June 26, 2020* and must include in their email their corresponding customer service telephone numbers which will remain in effect for retailers' delinquent list and other concerns during the shutdown period. All wholesalers that successfully opt into a shutdown period in accordance with the above shall be posted to the Authority's website at www.sla.ny.gov.

Sincerely,



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Cc: To be posted on SLA Website