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OLCC cancels liquor license of South Salem Food & Gas

Salem, OR – The Oregon Liquor Control Commission has cancelled the liquor license of South Salem Food & Gas, 2955 Commercial Street SE, Salem. The license is held by Johal, Inc.; Kalwant Singh and Palwinder Kaur, corporate principals.

The cancellation came as the result of the licensee failing to comply with two license restrictions. One restriction that requires the use of age verification equipment every time a customer purchases alcoholic beverages who reasonably appears to be under 26 years old. The second restriction stated that only three specific individuals were authorized to sell alcohol.

“It is regrettable when anyone loses their liquor license,” said Linda Ignowski, OLCC Director of Regulatory Services. “There were just too many prior sales to minors. The purpose of the restrictions was to help them prevent any more sales to minors. Unfortunately, they didn’t follow the restrictions and they sold alcohol to a minor again.”

Failing to comply with a license restriction is a violation of Oregon Administrative Rule 845-005-0355(5). The licensee will also be removed from the Responsible Vendor Program.

The five citizen commissioners are the policy-making body of the OLCC. They meet monthly for one or two days to make decisions on liquor licenses, rules, contested case hearings and appointments of liquor store agents. Commission meetings are held every other month at OLCC’s main office, 9079 SE McLoughlin Blvd., Room 103A in Portland. Subsequent months, the meetings are held via phone. Agenda items can be obtained on-line at http://www.oregon.gov/OLCC/public_meetings.shtml

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