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Dear Ms Roberts

Application No.	APP-0009104388
Applicant	Milko Grocery Pty Ltd
Application for	packaged liquor licence (delivery only)
Licence name	VOLY
Premises	Level 16, 173-179 Pitt Street Sydney NSW 2000
Trading hours	Monday – Saturday: 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Legislation	Sections 3, 11A and 12, 29-31, 40, 44, 45, 48, 114E-114G of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>

**Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority
Application for packaged liquor licence (delivery only) – VOLY**

The Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority considered the application above, and decided on 17 November 2021 to **approve** the application under section 45 of the *Liquor Act 2007*, subject to imposing conditions as set out in Schedule 1.

Trading on a Sunday that falls on 24 December

Please note that in the case of any Sunday that falls on 24 December, the 6-hour closure period overrides the statutory provision that would otherwise allow the licence to trade from 8:00 AM. In accordance with the 6-hour closure period for the current licence, the Premises must not trade earlier than 10:00 AM.

Approved manager or individual licensee

Please note that the licence cannot be exercised unless and until the Authority or Liquor & Gaming NSW has been notified of the appointment of an approved manager to the licence, or the licence has been transferred to an individual licensee.

Concise statement of reasons

A concise statement of reasons for this decision is attached at the end of this letter.

In the interest of efficient finalisation of determined matters in a high-volume liquor and gaming jurisdiction, the Authority will only produce a detailed statement of reasons for applications which are refused, partially approved or the subject of stakeholder objections.

A concise statement of reasons is produced for non-contested applications that have been approved by the Authority, in cases where a statement of reasons is required to be published for the application under section 36C of the *Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007*.

The concise statement of reasons briefly sets out the material considered by the Authority, the legislative requirements, and the Authority's key findings.

If you have any questions, please contact the case manager at leonie.jennings@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip Crawford', written in a cursive style.

Philip Crawford
Chairperson
For and on behalf of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Concise statement of reasons

Key facts

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Application date	26/08/2021
Decision	Approved under section 45 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>
Decision date	17 November 2021

Material considered by the Authority

The Authority has considered the following material in determining the application:

- Application material, including evidence of notification to specified stakeholders and the community about the application;
- Category A community impact statement;
- Premises plan setting out the proposed boundaries of the licensed premises and any applicable authorisations;
- Plan of management for the licensed business at the premises;
- Development consent for the premises;
- Statistics sourced from Liquor & Gaming NSW, Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, NSW Health and Australian Bureau of Statistics in respect of the socio-economic status, liquor licence density, alcohol-related crimes rates, and health issues in the relevant local and broader communities; and
- Stakeholder submissions in relation to the application, and the applicant's response to those submissions.

Legislative requirements

The Authority has considered the application in the context of the following sections of the *Liquor Act 2007*, and the associated clauses of the Liquor Regulation 2018:

- Section 3: Statutory objects of the Act and relevant considerations.
- Sections 11A and 12: Standard trading period for liquor licences and a mandatory 6-hour period during which liquor cannot be sold.
- Sections 29-31: Specific provisions in respect of a packaged liquor licence.
- Section 40: Minimum procedural requirements for a liquor licence application to be validly made.
- Section 44: Submissions to Authority in relation to licence applications.
- Section 45: Criteria for granting a liquor licence.
- Section 48: Requirements in respect of a CIS, including a requirement that the Authority must not approve the application unless it is satisfied, having regard to the CIS and other available information, that the overall social impact of doing so will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.
- Sections 114E-114G: Specific provisions relating to same day liquor deliveries

The Authority has also had regard to its Guideline 6 in considering the overall social impact of approving the application pursuant to section 48 of the Act, and its Guideline 18, including the rebuttable presumption against granting a new licence in this geographic area unless the applicant

can demonstrate that the overall social impact will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.

Key findings

In accordance with its Guideline 6, the Authority finds that the relevant local community for the purposes of this decision is the suburb of Sydney, and the broader community is the Local Government Area of Sydney.

Positive social impacts

The Authority is satisfied on the material before it that the proposal set out in the application, if approved, would likely benefit the local and broader communities through the provision of increased liquor access, choice and significantly increased convenience.

Negative social impacts

The Authority accepts that the proposal may, over time, contribute to an increase in alcohol-related harm in the local and broader communities, including alcohol-fuelled violence, health problems and/or social and amenity issues, having regard to the:

- Significantly higher than average liquor licence density in the local and broader community
- presence of crime hotspots in the local community
- higher than average crime rates in the local and broader community
- higher than average level of alcohol-attributable hospitalisations in the broader community
- location of the premises near facilities for disadvantaged and vulnerable community groups.

The Authority is nevertheless satisfied that these risk factors are sufficiently mitigated by the:

- reduced trading hours
- limited scale and scope of the business model, with alcohol an ancillary offering to the primary focus on grocery items delivered by electric bicycle
- fact that licence density, crime and hospitalisation data may be distorted since the local community is a major tourist, hospitality and entertainment destination with a regular influx of visitors
- absence of any objections from agency stakeholders or members of the community, and
- harm minimisation measures set out in the plan of management and licence conditions as set out in Schedule 1.

Overall social impacts and conclusion

Having considered the positive and negative social impacts that are likely to flow from the applicant's proposal, the Authority is satisfied that the overall social impact of approving the application will not be detrimental to the well-being of the local or broader community.

The Authority is also satisfied that the other legislative requirements for the approval of the application have been met.

Accordingly, the Authority approves the application under section 45 of the Act.



Philip Crawford
Chairperson

Schedule 1 – Licence conditions to be imposed VOLY

1. Section 11A of the *Liquor Act 2007* applies to this licence. Liquor must not be sold by retail on the licensed premises for a continuous period of six (6) hours between 4:00 AM and 10:00 AM during each consecutive period of 24 hours. The licensee must comply with this 6-hour closure period along with any other limits specified in the trading hours for this licence.
2. Restricted trading & NYE (std)
Retail sales

Good Friday	Not permitted
December 24 th	Normal trading Monday to Saturday 8:00 AM to 12:00 AM midnight Sunday
Christmas Day	Not permitted
December 31 st	Normal trading
3. The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater overall level of social impact on the wellbeing of the local and broader community than what could reasonably be expected from the information contained in the Community Impact Statement, application and other information submitted in the process of obtaining this licence.
4. The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated 24 October 2021 as may be varied from time to time after consultation with NSW Police. A copy of the Plan of Management is to be kept on the premises, and made available for inspection on the request of a police officer, council officer, Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector, or any other person authorised by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority.
5. The licensee or its representative must join and be an active participant in the local liquor accord.
6. Licensee training must be completed no later than six (6) months from the date of grant of the liquor licence.
7. Limited to the sale of liquor only by means of taking orders over the telephone or by facsimile or mail order, or through an Internet site.
8. No liquor products for sale under this licence are to be delivered or stored at the licensed premises.
9. The licensee must ensure that no tastings are conducted on the licensed premises.
10. No advertising or promotional material relating to alcohol is to be displayed outside the licensed premises.
11. The licensed premises must cease to take orders by 8:00 PM on public holidays.
12. The delivery of packaged liquor is limited to:
 - a. two bottles of wine or two six packs of beer or cider or pre-mixed spirits or two premixed cocktail bottles, or
 - b. one bottle of wine and one bottle of spirits and one bottle of premixed cocktails, or
 - c. one bottle of wine and one six pack of beer, cider or pre-mixed spirits and one bottle of premixed cocktails, or
 - d. one bottle of spirits and one six pack of beer, cider or pre-mixed spirits and one bottle of premixed cocktails