## **Staff Report**

Devens Enterprise Commission

Date: December 4, 2023

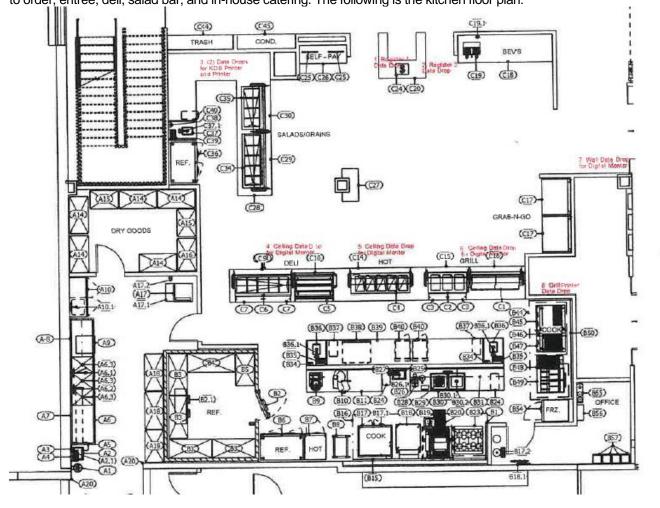
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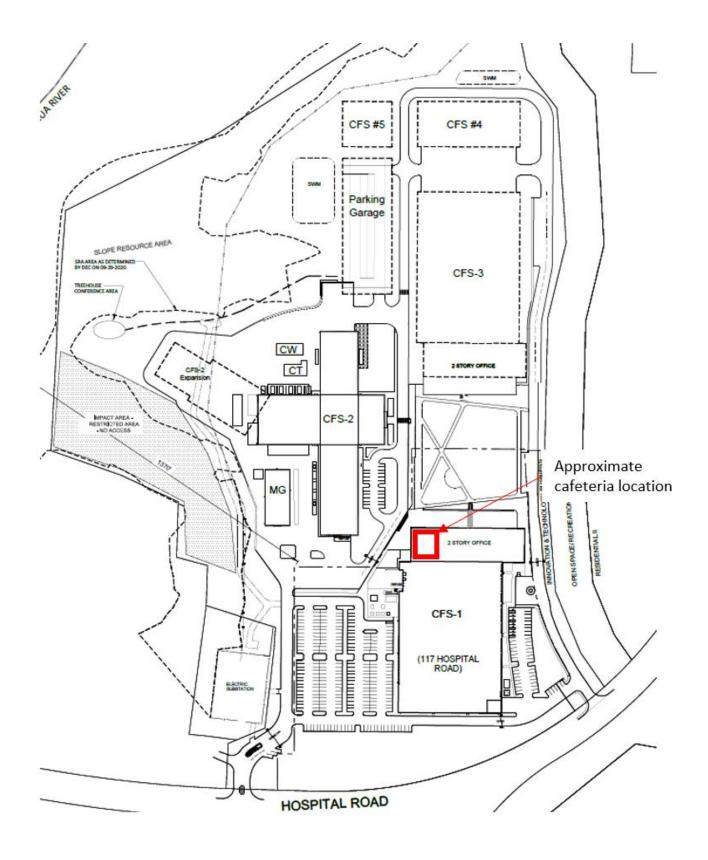
From: Neil Angus, DEC Director

RE: Commonwealth Fusion Systems Common Victualler License Application

All facilities in Devens that have the capabilities for cooking, preparing, and serving food and which provides seating for the immediate consumption therein, are required to have a Common Victualler License. Common Victualler licenses falls under the DEC's Board of Health responsibilities. These facilities are inspected on an annual basis and food service permits are issued by our agent, Nashoba Associated Boards of Health. These food service permits are a prerequisite to the DEC issuing any license.

Commonwealth Fusion Systems (Lawson Cafeteria) is seeking a Common Victualler License to authorize facilities for cooking, preparing and serving food to employees at 117 Hospital Road within the Innovation & Technology Business District. This is CFS's magnet factory and corporate headquarters. The kitchen/cafeteria is operated by Flik International. They serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 8PM. They offer grill to order, entrée, deli, salad bar, and in-house catering. The following is the kitchen floor plan:





The final Certificate of Occupancy was issued for this building in early 2023 and the cafeteria was inspected by the Devens Fire Chief as well as the Devens Enterprise Commission's Health Agent (Nashoba Associated Boards of Health) and issued a Food Service Permit on January 27, 2023. A Common Victualler License application was inadvertently never filed. In preparation for the 2024 Common Victualler License renewals for Devens, Staff noticed

that there was no Common Victualler License issued for this facility. On October 30, 2023, Staff notified the Applicant in writing and they submitted the application that same day.

The cafeteria has been in operation for several months now and was recently inspected again by the DEC's Health Agent and issued another Food Service Permit on October 16, 2023. Staff have also inspected the operations as well and found no concerns. The facility and operations were very sanitary and all food appeared to be properly handled and stored.

**Process:** The Application was submitted on October 30 2023 and determined complete that same day. Copies of the application were received by the surrounding Towns on November 6, 2023. Legal notices were placed in Nashoba Publications on November 17 and 24, 2023. All abutting property owners were duly notified by certified mail. No comments were received.

**Recommended Action:** Once the Commissioners and public have had an opportunity to ask questions and there is no additional information needed, the Commission should close the public hearing. If there are no concerns, the Commission should then make a motion to approve the application for a new Common Victualler license from Lawson Cafeteria for Commonwealth Fusion Systems.

## Attachments\*:

Application Floor Plan Food Service Permits from Nashoba Associated Boards of Health Public hearing Legal Notice

\*All attachments are available on-line at: https://www.devensec.com/level2hearingsDec7.html