# BC Liquor Distribution Branch

New payment remittance model for BC Commercial Wineries

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## Introduction & Purpose:

- In October 2016, LDB successfully transitioned small and mid-sized breweries to a new remittance process. The LDB has initiated a project to change the payment remittance process for BC commercial wineries.
- This new model will apply to all BC commercial wineries.
- The goal of the new model is to help improve the cash flow for BC commercial wineries.
- The purpose of this briefing is to provide initial information related to the new model and the timelines for further communication and implementation.



## The Mechanics

#### **Current Process**



Winery reports sales through DSWR and deposits sales into LDB bank account



30 days later LDB reimburses winery supplier cost (duty paid cost)



If applicable LDB reimburses winery:

- 7% commission on wholesale price; or
- BCVQA reimbursement

#### **New Process**



Winery reports sales through DSWR



LDB withdraws markup and applicable taxes and fees owing from the winery's PAD bank account.

Winery retains supplier cost, and if applicable, BCVQA reimbursement or commission.

## **Key benefits:**

- Improve wineries' cash-flow
- Speed up VQA and commission payment
- A more modern, stream-lined process



## New Payment Remittance Model:

- Gross sales amount will no longer be deposited into the LDB's bank account.
- Mark-up, container deposits, container recycling fees (if applicable) and applicable taxes will be collected from your designated bank account.
  - Commission and VQA reimbursement payment amounts will be applied against what is owing to the LDB.
- LDB will set up a Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) agreement with each commercial winery prior to transition.
- The amount due will be withdrawn from your bank account under your PAD agreement.
- No changes in the way you currently report weekly sales through Direct Sales Web Reporting (DSWR).



## Additional Changes:

- There will be a restriction placed within the DSWR application which will restrict the visibility of your manufacturer SKUs.
- LDB reports will include additional details related to your sales which will assist in your reconciliation process.
- Minor changes will be made to your sales agreements to reflect the transition to the new payment remittance model.



## Timelines:

- A second webinar will take place in December 2017 and will include more technical information about:
  - Detailed system changes
  - Overview of new reports
  - Timing of notifications
  - Details of transition onto the new model
- After the second webinar the LDB will provide an information package that will include:
  - A PAD Agreement
  - Information about changes to your direct delivery and sales agreement
  - Transition requirements/information
- The LDB is committed to having the new model ready to onboard wineries starting in early 2018.



## Q&A

#### Thank you for participating in today's webinar.

- We will now go through any of the questions we have received from you about this initiative.
- If you have additional questions, please direct them to: <u>PD.Settlement.Support@bcldb.com</u>.
- Please complete the short survey after the completion of the webinar.