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DATE: March 24, 2021

TO: Depot Network

RE: Frozen Drink Pouches Update

Attention depot operators and staff,

This notice serves as an update to information that was provided in a depot notice on October 4, 2019 regarding **frozen drink pouches**. The 2019 notice has been attached for your reference.

The 2019 notice indicated that the Alberta beverage container recycling system did not include frozen drink pouches, meaning they did not carry a deposit and depots could not accept them and provide a refund to the customer. However, this has since changed and **frozen drink pouches are now included in the Alberta system,** which means they can be registered, carry a deposit and are eligible for refund when returned to a depot by a customer. Please note that the frozen drink pouches included in the deposit system are considered ready-to-serve beverages and not frozen concentrates that require water to be added prior to consuming. Please see some examples of these frozen drink pouch beverage containers on the next page of this notice.

If you are unable to verify a product's registration status by searching the BCMB Registration Portal (or QMS Mobile App), please submit a QMS registrations ticket. If you have questions regarding the material presented in this notice, please send an email to: registrations@bcmb.ab.ca.

DATE: October 4, 2019

TO: Depot Network

RE: **Frozen Pouches**

The notice below is to advise Alberta Depots that containers such as drink-pouches that are sold as frozen products are not included in the Alberta Deposit System. Below are examples of the pouch containers Alberta Depots may see at their Depot.

Drink Pouch:

Freezie Pouch:

If a customer advises they have paid a deposit, please advise them to keep their receipt and contact the BCMB. If you have any questions, please direct them to Melissa Malin, Registrations Administrator II, at 780-424-3193 x234 or 1-888-424-7671 or by email mmalin@bcmb.ab.ca .