



DATE: November 17, 2021

TO: Depot Network

RE: **BCMB Hearing Panel Decision:
Permits Cancelled for Castor & Coronation Depots**

On October 20 & 21, 2021, the BCMB held a hearing regarding allegations made against the Castor and Coronation Bottle Depots. The allegations were related to the acceptance of beverage containers that could be easily identified by the depot operator as out-of-province containers and failure to adhere to the highest standards of honesty, integrity, fair dealings, and ethical conduct in all dealings with customers and industry stakeholders.

In accordance with BCMB by-laws, a hearing panel comprised of BCMB board members was appointed to hear the allegations and make a decision on the matter. Due to health and safety precautions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the hearing was held via Zoom video conference.

On November 9, 2021, the Hearing Panel released its decision to cancel the permits for both depots operated by the permit holder within 30 days. The Panel's written decision can be found on the BCMB website by [clicking here](#) and choosing the blue "Hearing Decisions" tab.

The closure of both the Castor and Coronation Bottle Depots means Albertans living in those areas will need to return their beverage containers to other depots in the region, which may include those in communities such as Consort, Stettler, Hanna and Red Deer. All locations of Alberta depots can be found by [clicking here](#).

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