DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Bella Market, LLC, :

t/a Economy Market

1804 D Street, NE : Show Cause

Retailer B - ANC 6A : Hearing (Status)

License No. 94127 : Case #17-CMP-00664 :

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(Violation of Settlement :
Agreement, Failed to Make:
a Copy of Settlement :
Agreement Immediately :
Accessible) :

Wednesday January 24, 2018

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson NICK ALBERTI, Member BOBBY CATO, JR., Member DONALD ISAAC, SR., Member MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member JAMES SHORT, Member REMA WAHABZADAH, Member ALSO PRESENT:

FEKRESELASSIE EPHREM, Licensee

AMY SCHMIDT, OAG

	P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S
2	10:28 a.m.
3	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. The
4	next case on our calendar is Case No. 17-CMP-
5	00664, Economy Market, License No. 94127.
6	Will the parties, please, approach and
7	identify themselves for the record, please?
8	MS. SCHMIDT: Good morning. Amy
9	Schmidt, Assistant Attorney General on behalf of
10	the District of Columbia.
11	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Schmidt.
12	Your name, sir?
13	MR. EPHREM: Ephrem Fekreselassie. E-
14	P-H-R-E-M, my first name, I have the longest last
15	name F-E-K-R-E-S-E-L-A-S-S-I-E.
16	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Pronounce your
17	name again for me one more time, sir.
18	MR. EPHREM: Ephrem Fekreselassie.
19	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
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20	Slowly. I got the first name. I just never got
	Slowly. I got the first name. I just never got the last name.

1	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Fekreselassie.			
2	Mr., and I apologize, Fekreselassie.			
3	MR. EPHREM: That's okay.			
4	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Are			
5	there any preliminary matters in this case?			
6	MS. SCHMIDT: No, there are not.			
7	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.			
8	Hearing none, the matter is scheduled for a Show			
9	Cause Hearing on February 28th at 10:00.			
10	I want to ask you a question, sir, and			
11	I'm not making any assumptions. You don't have a			
12	problem with the English language?			
13	MR. EPHREM: No, I can understand. I			
14	can speak it.			
15	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm not making			
16	any			
17	MR. EPHREM: I can speak, but I can			
18	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The reason why			
19	I'm asking is because if the Agency needs to			
20	provide you a translator, we can. That's the			
21	only reason why I just want to make sure that			
22	I don't want you for us to have the hearing			

1	and you say you didn't understand, so that's why
2	I am asking. Okay?
3	MR. EPHREM: Okay.
4	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. So
5	we will have the hearing then on February 28th at
6	10:00.
7	MR. EPHREM: Okay.
8	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
9	Thank you, sir. Have a good day.
10	MR. EPHREM: Do I need to write my
11	name here or
12	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Yes, you can
13	sign-in your name just in case she did not get
14	the correct spelling of your name. All right.
15	MR. EPHREM: Thank you, Your Honor.
16	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thanks. Sir,
17	if you are done, you can go. All right. All
18	right. I just wanted you are not trapped here
19	for the rest of the day. Okay. All right.
20	(Whereupon, the Show Cause (Status)
21	Hearing was concluded at 10:30 a.m.)
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