

MINNESOTA • REVENUE

April 28, 2014

City of Saint Paul, MN.
Attn: Director of Safety & Inspection
375 Jackson Street: Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Re: Seized Tobacco Product for Little Grocer LLC.

The Minnesota Department of Revenue seized contraband from a business located in your jurisdiction. Enclosed is the information about the business, owner(s), and individual(s) from the business that were involved in the seizure.

Attached you will find a copy of our Seizure Notice (M21), which outlines in detail the products that were seized.

The cigarettes/tobacco are considered contraband under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 297F.21, Subd. 1 (a) & (i), which states: Subdivision 1. Contraband defined. The following are declared to be contraband and therefore subject to civil and criminal penalties under this chapter: (a) Cigarette packages which do not have stamps affixed to them as provided in this chapter, including but not limited to (i) packages with illegible stamps and packages with stamps that are not complete or whole even if the stamps are legible, and (ii) all devices for the vending of cigarettes in which packages as defined in item (i) are found, including all contents contained within the devices. (i) Tobacco products on which the tax has not been paid by a licensed distributor.

Date of Seizure:	February 24, 2014
Legal Name:	Little Grocer LLC.
DBA:	NA
Address:	1724 University Avenue W.
City, State Zip:	Saint Paul, MN 55104
Phone Number:	651-315-2657
Owners Name:	Samson Mengesha & Mezeke Mengesha
Employee(s) Name:	NA

You are being provided information about our seizure of contraband so that you may take any action against the city/county license as appropriate.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the phone number listed below.

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