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TO:Depot NetworkFROM:Beverage Container Management BoardDATE:April 9, 2019RE:ABDA Membership Voluntary

The Alberta Bottle Depot Association (ABDA) has represented the interests of Alberta depots for more than 40 years and continues to do so. The ABDA is a valuable contributor to the industry and is active in many areas of depot representation including: Handling Commission Review negotiations, Service Agreement negotiations, depot education and advocacy, Industry Leadership and BCMB governance. There are many benefits to being a member of the ABDA.

In light of recent By-law changes, the BCMB reviewed its permitting process and procedures and concluded that some individuals may believe that ABDA membership is mandatory. The BCMB would like to clarify that depot permit holders <u>are not</u> required to be a member of the ABDA to receive or maintain a depot operating permit from the BCMB.

Moving forward, the BCMB will no longer include the Confirmation of Depot Representation Form in its permitting packages. The ABDA will administer membership applications directly.

For more information on ABDA membership, services and fees, please contact Jerry Roczkowsky, President of the ABDA at <u>jerry@albertadepot.ca.</u>

For further clarity, questions or concerns, please contact the BCMB at 1-888-424-7671 or go to our website at <u>www.bcmb.ab.ca/contact/</u>

