

Harborside Completes Acquisition of its Desert Hot Springs Retail Location

OAKLAND, Calif., Sept. 3, 2021 /CNW/ - [Harborside Inc.](#) ("Harborside" or the "Company") (CSE: HBOR), (OTCQX: HBORF) a California-focused, vertically integrated cannabis enterprise, today announced it has purchased 100% of the issued and outstanding equity interest of Accucanna LLC, the license holder of the Company's Desert Hot Springs retail dispensary location ("DHS"), together with the real property (the "Property") relating to the DHS (collectively, the "Acquisition") for a total consideration of US\$4,918,263 (the "Purchase Price"). Prior to closing of the Acquisition, Harborside had been operating the dispensary since December 2019 under a management services agreement.

"We are thrilled to add our Desert Hot Springs retail dispensary into our California retail store portfolio," said Matt Hawkins, Interim CEO of Harborside. "As one of only two drive-through retail locations permitted in the state, and with our strategic location in the Coachella valley near the freeway, we are well-positioned to continue to service the local community and support the robust year-round tourism industry."

In December 2019, Harborside announced that it opened DHS, the Company's first retail location outside of the Bay Area. Located at 66205 Paul Road, Desert Hot Springs, CA, the 4,800 square foot facility is strategically located on Interstate 10 between Los Angeles and Coachella and serves both medical and adult-use customers with a wide selection of cannabis products, including Harborside's own KEY branded line of cannabis flower. In addition to the brick and mortar store, DHS functions as one of only two state licensed drive-through dispensaries in all of California, providing consumers with a fast, convenient way to purchase cannabis products.



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Upon the closing of the Acquisition, Harborside paid the aggregate Purchase Price comprised of: (a) approximately US\$1.5 million in 15,793.40 multiple voting shares based on the 30 day volume-weighted average price of the subordinate voting shares of the Company on the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE") at the time of closing of the Acquisition, and US\$784,646 in cash consideration for the transfer of the equity interest of Accucanna LLC to the Company; and (b) US\$2.6 million in cash for the Property. Harborside expects to finance all or a portion of the Purchase Price owed for the Property after closing of the Acquisition.

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About Harborside:

Harborside Inc. is one of the oldest and most respected cannabis retailers in California and has played an instrumental role in making cannabis safe and accessible to a broad and diverse community of California consumers since 2006, when it was awarded one of the first six medical cannabis licenses granted in the United States. Today, the Company holds cannabis licenses for retail, distribution, cultivation, nursery, and manufacturing and is operating three of the major dispensaries in the San Francisco Bay Area, a dispensary in the Palm Springs area outfitted with Southern California's only cannabis drive-thru window, a dispensary in Oregon and a cultivation/production facility in Salinas, California. Harborside distributes its portfolio of brands, including Sublime, Harborside, and Key, to over 500 dispensaries within California. Today, Harborside is a publicly listed company on the CSE trading under the ticker symbol "HBOR" and on the OTCQX Best Market under the ticker symbol "HBORF". Additional information regarding Harborside is available under Harborside's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

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These forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions and estimates of management of the Company at the time such statements were made. Actual future results may differ materially as forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance, or achievements of the Company to materially differ from any future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors, among other things, include: implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Company's operations; fluctuations in general macroeconomic conditions; fluctuations in securities markets; expectations regarding the size of the cannabis markets where the Company operates; changing consumer habits; the ability of the Company to successfully achieve its business objectives; plans for expansion; political, social and environmental uncertainties; inability to obtain adequate insurance to cover risks and hazards; employee relations; the presence of laws and regulations that may impose restrictions on cultivation, production, distribution, and sale of cannabis and cannabis-related products in the markets where the Company operates; and the risk factors set out in the Company's management's discussion and analysis for the quarter ended March 31, 2021 and the Company's listing statement dated May 30, 2019, which are available under the Company's profile on www.sedar.com. Although the forward-looking statements contained in this news release are based upon what management of the Company believes, or believed at the time, to be reasonable assumptions, the Company cannot assure shareholders that actual results will be consistent with such forward-looking statements, as there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. Readers should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements and information contained in this news release. The Company assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements of beliefs, opinions, projections, or other factors, should they change, except as required by law.

The Company, through several of its subsidiaries, is indirectly involved in the manufacture, possession, use, sale, and distribution of cannabis in the recreational and medicinal cannabis marketplace in the United States. Local state laws where the Company operates permit such activities however, investors should note that there are significant legal restrictions and regulations that govern the cannabis industry in the United States. Cannabis remains a Schedule I drug under the US Controlled Substances Act, making it illegal under federal law in the United States to, among other things, cultivate, distribute or possess cannabis in the United States. Financial transactions involving proceeds generated by, or intended to promote, cannabis-related business activities in the United States may form the basis for prosecution under applicable US federal money laundering legislation.

While the approach to enforcement of such laws by the federal government in the United States has trended toward non-enforcement against individuals and businesses that comply with recreational and medicinal cannabis programs in states where such programs are legal, strict compliance with state laws with respect to cannabis will neither absolve the Company of liability under US federal law, nor will it provide a defense to any federal proceeding which may be brought against the Company. The enforcement of federal laws in the United States is a significant risk to the business of the Company and any proceedings brought against the Company thereunder may adversely affect the Company's operations and financial performance.

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