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TO:

General Managers—Member Hotels

FROM:

Joseph E. Spinnato, President

RE:

Update to NYC Smoke Free Air Act

Local Law 152 of 2013

DATE:

April 28, 2014

The City Council passed and the Mayor approved legislation (Local Law 152) to include electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) as a part of the City's Smoke-Free Air Act. No one will be able to use an e-cigarette in places where smoking is currently prohibited, including bars, restaurants, offices, parks, and beaches.

## The law will take effect on April 29, 2014.

Electronic cigarette is defined as an electronic device that delivers vapor for inhalation. The definition includes any refill, cartridge, and any other component of an electronic cigarette. It does not include any product approved by the food and drug administration for sale as a drug or medical device (i.e. electronic nebulizers and asthma inhalers).

In addition, as of May 18, 2014, retailers will no longer be allowed to sell tobacco products and electronic cigarettes to anyone under 21.