



DIVISION OF  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

July 25, 2024

Justin Stiefel  
Chief Executive Officer  
Heritage Distilling Holding Company, Inc.  
9668 Bujacich Road  
Gig Harbor, Washington 98332

**Re: Heritage Distilling Holding Company, Inc.  
Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1  
Filed July 5, 2024  
File No. 333-279382**

Dear Justin Stiefel:

We have reviewed your amended registration statement and have the following comments.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. If you do not believe a comment applies to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to this letter, we may have additional comments. Unless we note otherwise, any references to prior comments are to comments in our June 5, 2024 letter.

Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed July 5, 2024

Cover Page

1. We note that you included a resale prospectus for shares to be sold by the selling stockholders. Please revise to disclose the reasons you have included the resale prospectus when you disclose under the Explanatory Note caption that "the Selling Stockholders have expressed an intent not to sell the shares of common stock to be sold pursuant to the Resale Prospectus concurrently with the commencement of [y]our initial public offering of common stock."
2. Please ensure that the disclosure under the Explanatory Note caption that "the Selling Stockholders have expressed an intent not to sell the shares of common stock to be sold pursuant to the Resale Prospectus concurrently with the commencement of [y]our initial

public offering of common stock" is consistent with the disclosure on the cover page of the Resale Prospectus that "The Selling Stockholders have represented to us that they have no intention to offer or sell their shares less than 90 days following the closing of [y]our initial public offering of common stock."

3. Please clarify the reasons for the structure of the offerings disclosed in your filing. In particular, discuss the purpose of offering warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 500,000 shares of your common stock at an exercise price of \$0.01 per share in a concurrent private placement.

#### Capitalization, page 53

4. We note your capitalization table includes "inventory" which is not part of your capital structure. Please remove this line item from your table.

#### Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

##### Note 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

##### Investments/Investment in Flavored Bourbon LLC, page F-13

5. We note that you recorded a gain of \$3,421,000 related to the increase in fair value of your investment in Flavored Bourbon LLC reflecting the observable price change as a result of the January 2024 capital call. However, your disclosure here indicates that the capital call was conducted to raise capital at the same valuation as the last raise, which appears to suggest that the fair value of the Company's investment did not change as a result of this transaction. In this regard, please explain to us how you calculated the gain and include in your disclosure the methods and key assumptions you used to determine the fair value of your investment in Flavored Bourbon LLC.

#### Note 16. Subsequent Events, page F-36

6. Your response to prior comment 6 states that the holders of the Whiskey Special Ops 2023 Notes and related warrants will receive common stock or pre-paid warrants in lieu of common stock that can be exercised after the closing of this offering, and that the warrants originally issued in connection with the issuance of the Whiskey Special Ops 2023 Notes were relinquished and canceled as part of the negotiated exchange of the Notes for common stock. However, your disclosures continue to state that the Notes and warrants were exchanged for 2,399,090 shares of common stock and 546,927 prepaid warrants, and the table in Annex A – page 2 of your response letter appears to indicate that the newly issued warrants will be outstanding after the completion of this offering. Please clarify whether you plan to issue pre-paid warrants and expects them to be outstanding after the completion of this offering. If so, revise to disclose the terms of the new warrants and tell us your basis for classifying them in equity.

#### Exhibits

7. Please file as an exhibit the June 2024 agreement to complete a loan modification mentioned in the first full paragraph on page 79 and the private placement transaction mentioned on page 128.

General

8. Please revise the disclosure in the Selling Stockholders section on page Alt-4 to include a materially complete discussion of how the selling stockholders acquired the securities that you are registering for resale on their behalf.
9. We note your disclosure on page Alt-7 that your selling stockholders may use purchases by a broker-dealer as principal to sell its securities. Please confirm your understanding that purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resales by the broker-dealer for its account would constitute a material change requiring a post-effective amendment. Refer to your undertaking provided pursuant to Item 512(a)(1)(iii) of Regulation S-K.
10. Please tell us, with a view to disclosure, why the Plan of Distribution section on pages Alt-7 and Alt-8 does not include disclosure that the selling stockholders have represented that they have no intention to offer or sell their shares less than 90 days following the closing of your initial public offering of common stock mentioned on the cover page of the Resale Prospectus.
11. You disclose on page Alt-7 an intent to list on NYSE American, contrary to the disclosure on the IPO cover page. Please reconcile.
12. You disclose that the purchasers in the concurrent "private placement" of warrants you intend to conduct will be "certain purchasers of shares of our common stock in this offering." Please provide your analysis of how conducting these offerings simultaneously will be consistent with Section 5 of the Securities Act.
13. We note your statement that the Selling Stockholders will participate in a potential resale. Please revise to state, if true, that the Selling Stockholders will sell shares only once such shares are listed on the Nasdaq or other market and that the Selling Stockholders will sell shares only once the primary offering has closed. Make consistent revisions in the alternate pages. In this regard, you should revise to leave room to provide the market price of the securities as of the latest practicable date, once available and when you utilize a separate prospectus for the resale transaction.
14. Please disclose the supermajority vote requirements of Articles VI.F and XI in Exhibit 3.4 and the related risks to investors.

Please contact Eiko Yaoita Pyles at 202-551-3587 or Jean Yu at 202-551-3305 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Thomas Jones at 202-551-3602 or Geoffrey Kruczek at 202-551-3641 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: M. Ali Panjwani, Esq.