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Three Establishments Cited for Selling to Minors

BELLEVILLE – Three Metro East establishments were cited Thursday for liquor license violations after they allegedly sold alcohol to minors as part of an undercover operation conducted by Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) agents and Illinois State Police.

During Thursday’s operation, three of 16 establishments checked sold alcohol to underage minors, including:

North Belt West Liquor	3620 N. Belt West	Belleville
Handee Mart	415 N. Main	Edwardsville
Gas Mart	2233 Vandalia Ave.	Collinsville

All were cited by agents and each will be referred to the Illinois Liquor Control Commission for action. The penalties for selling alcohol to minors can include fines and/or liquor license suspension or revocation.

“Under-age drinking is a serious problem, and our licensees know the rules,” said Lainie Krozel, Executive Director of the ILCC. “They should be checking the IDs of these kids.”

The undercover operations are part of ongoing statewide checks made throughout the year to assure compliance with the law that prohibits the sale of alcohol to minors.