# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 24, 2023

# VERANO HOLDINGS CORP.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

British Columbia (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-56342 (Commission File Number) 98-1583243 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

415 North Dearborn Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60654 (Zip Code)

(312) 265-0730

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
N/A	N/A	N/A

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\boxtimes$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

## Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 24, 2023, Verano Holdings Corp. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the grand opening of MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee on Friday, February 24, 2023, bringing the Company's total dispensary count to 65 in Florida and 124 nationwide. A copy of such press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The information furnished under this item 8.01, including Exhibit 99.1 incorporated by reference herein, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued on February 24, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## VERANO HOLDINGS CORP.

Date: February 24, 2023

By: /s/ Darren Weiss

Name: Darren Weiss

Title: Chief Operating Officer, Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel & Secretary



# Verano Announces the Opening of MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee, the Company's 65<sup>th</sup> Florida Location and 124<sup>th</sup> Retail Location Nationwide

- MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee is located at 2550 Okeechobee Boulevard, a busy thoroughfare with an average daily traffic count of 48,000 vehicles<sup>1</sup>
- The dispensary is based in Palm Beach County, the third largest county in Florida with a population of 1.4 million<sup>2</sup>
- Verano's active operations span 13 states, comprised of 124 dispensaries and 14 cultivation and processing facilities with more than 1 million square feet of cultivation capacity

CHICAGO, February 24, 2023 – Verano Holdings Corp. (CSE: VRNO) (OTCQX: VRNOF) ("Verano" or the "Company"), a leading multi-state cannabis company, today announced the opening of MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee on Friday, February 24; this is the Company's 65<sup>th</sup> Florida dispensary and 124<sup>th</sup> retail outlet nationwide. MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee, located at 2550 Okeechobee Boulevard, is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., local time.

According to Florida's Office of Medical Marijuana Use, there are currently over 789,000 qualified medical cannabis patients in the state. Florida medical cannabis sales are projected to potentially reach \$2.5 billion by 2026, as reported by <u>MJBiz Factbook 2022</u>.

"Opening our second MÜV dispensary in West Palm Beach adds another convenient location for Florida medical cannabis patients to receive care from our dedicated team of cannabis advisors and access our premium suite of medical cannabis offerings," said John Tipton, President of Verano. "MÜV has been an active part of the bustling West Palm Beach community since 2020, and we're excited to welcome additional members of the local medical cannabis community to experience our patient-centric hospitality and expansive portfolio of products."

As a demonstration of Verano's commitment to provide a convenient and reliable experience for Florida patients, MÜV dispensaries feature online menus for effortless browsing of their extensive, award-winning product selection, including the Company's signature Verano Reserve, MÜV and Sweet Supply flower, Encore edibles, and Savvy flower and extracts. The Company also offers one-on-one virtual and in-store consultations at no cost to patients and provides patient-centric concierge services via phone, email, web chat and text to address patient questions and inquiries. For additional convenience and accessibility, patients can choose to order ahead at muvfl.com or through the MÜV mobile application available in the Google Play and Apple App stores for express in-store pickup.

<sup>1</sup> Florida Department of Transportation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> United States Census Bureau

MÜV's comprehensive product selection includes edibles, chocolates and lozenges, flower, pre-rolls, an array of vaporizer pens, concentrates, metereddose inhalers, topicals and oral sprays; along with patented encapsulation formulations in its  $EnCaps^{TM}$  capsules, tinctures, 72-hour transdermal patches and transdermal gels.

For more information about MÜV West Palm Beach Okeechobee medical cannabis dispensary, visit muvfl.com.

#### **About Verano**

Verano is a leading, vertically integrated, multi-state cannabis operator in the U.S., devoted to the ongoing improvement of communal wellness by providing responsible access to regulated cannabis products. With a mission to address vital health and wellness needs, Verano produces a comprehensive suite of high-quality, innovative cannabis products sold under its trusted portfolio of consumer brands, including Verano<sup>TM</sup>, Avexia<sup>TM</sup>, BITS<sup>TM</sup>, Encore<sup>TM</sup>, MÜV<sup>TM</sup> and Savvy<sup>TM</sup>. Verano's portfolio encompasses 14 U.S. states, with active operations in 13, including 14 production facilities comprising over 1,000,000 square feet of cultivation capacity. Verano designs, builds, and operates dispensaries under retail brands including Zen Leaf<sup>TM</sup> and MÜV<sup>TM</sup>, delivering a superior cannabis shopping experience in both medical and adult use markets. Learn more at www.verano.com.

### **Contacts:**

Media Verano Grace Bondy Senior Manager, Communications <u>Grace.Bondy@verano.com</u>

Investors Verano Julianna Paterra, CFA Vice President, Investor Relations Julianna.Paterra@verano.com

### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements are not representative of historical facts or information or current condition, but instead represent only the Company's beliefs regarding future events, plans or objectives, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and outside of the Company's control. Generally, such forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budget", "future", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "projects" "intends", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or may contain statements that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will be taken", "will continue", "will occur" or "will be achieved". Forward-looking statements involve and are subject to assumptions and known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors which may cause actual events, results, performance, or achievements of the Company to be materially different from future events, results, performance, and achievements expressed or implied by forward-looking statements herein, including, without limitation, the risk factors described in the Company's registration statement on Form 10, as amended, and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov. The forward-looking information or forward-looking statements that are contained or referenced herein, except as may be required in accordance with applicable securities laws. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking information and statements.

###