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Theory Wellness NJ LLC

Re: FINAL AGENCY DECISION

Acceptance of Expanded Alternative Treatment Center's ("Expanded ATC") Renewal Application to Operate in Personal-Use Cannabis Market

Dear

Congratulations! The New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("NJ-CRC" or "Commission") has approved your request for license renewal(s) to operate as an Expanded Alternative Treatment Center. The above-listed entity will be permitted to engage in adult, personal-use cannabis activities in New Jersey under the following licenses and at the following locations for an additional year:

Business Name	License #	Location	Expiration Date	Renewal Fee
Theory Wellness NJ		461 New York Ave		
LLC	RE000861	Trenton, NJ 08638	6/30/2026	\$10,000

This letter serves as written notice that the above-listed ATC has submitted complete, accurate, and verifiable information, and the NJ-CRC has approved the expanded ATC to operate in the adult personal-use market for an additional year. Details on the Commission's review of materials, terms and conditions of Commission approval, and next steps are provided below. Please read the following information carefully; failure to satisfy any requirement may result in penalties levied against the expanded ATC, including fines and license suspension, revocation, or renewal denial.

NJ-CRC Review of Renewal Application Materials

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.4(m)(3), not fewer than 90 days prior to the date on which the expanded ATC's cannabis business license is set to expire after its first year of operations, in order to renew its cannabis business license pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.16, an expanded ATC shall:

i. Certify to the Commission as to the continued material accuracy of the expanded ATC's previously approved ATC license application and its compliance with the provisions of the Act regarding its operations concerning cannabis or cannabis items; and

ii. Submit a new written approval from the municipality in which the expanded ATC is located, approving the continued operations as a cannabis business.

Additionally, an expanded ATC must pay the requisite renewal fees for each requested license under N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17.

Terms and Conditions of NJ-CRC Approval

The Commission's approval provided herein is based and conditioned on the information provided in the entity's application materials. As such, the Commission's approval of the entity's application is subject to the terms and conditions explained below. Adherence to the entity's plans submitted to the Commission and the terms and conditions below is an ongoing requirement for licensure as a cannabis business. Failure to adhere to the conditions and commitments in the entity's application materials, or failure to satisfy any required terms and conditions set forth below, may result in adverse action taken against the entity, including suspension or revocation of any issued permit or license. The NJ-CRC is authorized to take these enforcement actions pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-20.5.

As a licensee, you are subject to the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization ("CREAMM") Act as well as all regulations implementing the CREAMM Act, set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:30. It is your responsibility to ensure the entity understands and complies with all applicable regulations, regardless of whether they are expressly mentioned in this letter. Additionally, please be advised that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.14(g), you have a continuing duty to seek approval for or report material changes in the information submitted as part of the annual license application, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2. Examples of material changes that must be reported to the NJ-CRC for approval include:

- 1. any changes in ownership,
- 2. changes of management services contractors or changes to the terms of a management services agreement,
- 3. changes of financial sources or changes to the terms of a financial source agreement,
- 4. changes of location,
- 5. modifications of an entity's capacity, physical plant or premises, and
- 6. changes of the cannabis business's name.

Please be advised that there will be an ongoing and continuing review of financial source and management services agreements to ensure the entity is compliant with the governing regulations.

Plans for Social Equity

The expanded ATC must satisfy all of the following conditions:

- In accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.4(e), make a good faith effort to employ individuals who either:
 - (1) have past marijuana- or hashish-related convictions, or
 - (2) at the time of employment, have lived in an Economically Disadvantaged Area for five (5) of the last ten (10) years *and* in the preceding tax year made 80% or less of the median house-hold family income.

Any such efforts shall be conducted in compliance with P.L. 2014, c.32, P.L. 2019, c.199, and any other applicable employment or labor laws and regulations.

• Submit progress reports that include specifics on the good faith efforts being made to ensure the expanded ATC's social equity plans as presented in the entity's certifications to the NJ-CRC are being achieved. These progress reports should be prepared in accordance with guidance from the Commission's Office of Diversity and Inclusion.

The Commission may request additional information from the expanded ATC to help it determine if efforts are being made in good faith.

Labor Peace and Collective Bargaining

If a majority of the expanded ATC's employees express interest in a particular bona fide labor organization, as defined under N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 through 56, the expanded ATC shall make a good faith effort to negotiate and execute a labor peace agreement with that bona fide labor organization. Labor peace agreements provide the NJ-CRC with the assurance that, should an entity be licensed, its operations will not be shut down due to labor-dispute or labor-related work stoppages.

After entering into a labor peace agreement, if a majority of the expanded ATC's employees support joining a particular bona fide labor organization, then the expanded ATC shall, within 200 days of executing a labor peace agreement, make a good faith effort to enter into a collective bargaining agreement.

Failure of an expanded ATC to abide by its executed labor peace and collective bargaining agreements may result in adverse action against the entity, including possible suspension or revocation of an ATC's license or permit or denial of any permit or license renewal.

Laboratory Testing

The expanded ATC is required to utilize a Commission-licensed testing laboratory to test cannabis items pursuant to the Commission's regulations.

Next Steps

By accepting this provisional award for license renewal, the expanded ATC is agreeing to be subject to the terms and conditions stated in this letter, as well as any requirements in applicable regulation. Before the license is renewed, the expanded ATC must submit payment for the associated renewal licensing fee under N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17 for each license. Accordingly, payment in the amount of **\$10,000** is due and owed before the entity can continue to engage in any

activities associated with the adult-use cannabis market for an additional year. The breakdown of fees is as follows:

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The NJ-CRC will email you an invoice that must be paid online using the Commission's licensing portal. If payment is not received within thirty (30) days of accepting this award, the NJ-CRC will email a final notice regarding the unpaid invoice. Failure to pay the required fees within sixty (60) days of accepting this award will result in the award automatically being rescinded and the entity's license renewal being rejected in the online licensing portal.

Congratulations once again on your successful request and thank you for your continued interest in working with the NJ-CRC to establish a safe and equitable cannabis industry for the state of New Jersey. Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please submit your inquiry to the NJ-CRC Licensing inbox at <u>crc.licensing@crc.nj.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Dianna Houenou Chairperson New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission