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The New Jersey Cannabis Trade Association

Re: FINAL AGENCY DECISION

> The New Jersey Cannabis Trade Association Regulation Waiver Request N.J-CRC Docket No.: WR027

Dear

The New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("NJ-CRC" or "Commission") is in receipt of your request to waive N.J.A.C. 17:30-11.8(c)(2). Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.7(a), the Commission may waive a regulatory requirement regarding the operations of a cannabis business, to the extent such waiver does not conflict with any other State law, if in the Commission's determination, such a waiver: (1) is necessary to achieve the purpose of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act ("CREAMM Act"); (2) is necessary to provide access to cannabis items to consumers; and (3) does not create a danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.

The Commission has reviewed your waiver request and has determined that it does not meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.7(a). As articulated in full during the public meeting held on August 7, 2025, waiving N.J.A.C. 17:30-11.8(c)(2) is not necessary to achieve the purpose of the CREAMM Act. Further, the waiver process is not the proper vehicle to change the product expiration date regulatory requirement as a regulatory requirement cannot be substituted for a new regulatory requirement through the waiver process. As such, your waiver request has been denied.

You may appeal the Commission's determination within 45 days from the date of this Final Agency Decision to the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 006, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0970.

Thank you for your interest in operating as a Cannabis Business. Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please submit your inquiry to the NJ-CRC Licensing inbox at crc.licensing@crc.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

Dianna Houenou Chairperson New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission