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Dear AUCP stakeholders:

As you may know, this spring, the Legislature enacted PL 2021, ch. 667 *An Act To Permit Curbside Pickup and Limited Delivery of Adult Use Marijuana* (LD 1827), which authorizes delivery and curbside pickup of cannabis and cannabis products by cannabis store licensees. Delivery of cannabis and cannabis products to customers over the age of 21 may happen regardless of whether a town has opted in to permit the operation of adult use cannabis businesses within its borders. Licensed adult use cannabis retailers will be allowed to begin delivery (and curbside pickup) when OCP finally adopts the revisions to its Adult Use Cannabis Program Rule later this summer or early this fall.

Though formal guidance will follow upon OCP's adoption, there are some proactive steps licensees can take ahead of time, to ensure compliance with this new authorized activity. As you may be aware, there is not a centralized clearinghouse of Safe Zones in the State of Maine. OCP has had internal discussions on compliance with this important issue and determined that the Office does not have the capacity or financial resources to establish such a database.

However, we have heard from our stakeholders that delivery sales are an important activity to engage in for licensees, and so, we are asking you, the licensed operators who choose to engage in delivery, to work with the municipalities in your delivery radius on ensuring shared information about Safe Zones.

Please ensure that you work with municipal staff to:

Plan for the locations of such zones,

Document these discussions, and

Engage in deliveries accordingly.

These processes and documentation are how OCP will determine compliance with safeguards associated with Safe Zones.

Additionally, cannabis store licensees intending to conduct sales of cannabis and cannabis products to consumers by curbside pickup and/or delivery are reminded that they must submit a plan of record change with an updated facility plan in order to account for these new authorized activities *before* they begin conducting them.

Thank you for your partnership in creating a thriving cannabis marketplace that emphasizes public health and safety. And thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Gundersen', written in a cursive style.

Erik Gundersen
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