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October 12, 2021

Via USPS First Class Mail

Mr. Mitchell Rodgers

Subject: Notice of Revocation of Registry Identification Card(s)

Dear Mr. Rodgers

The Maine Department of Administrative & Financial Services, Office of Marijuana Policy (Department) is responsible for the administration and oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Program (MMMP). Protection for authorized conduct requires compliance with the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act (MMUMA), Title 22, ch.558-C and program rules. Pursuant to its authority under 22 M.R.S., Chapter 558-C, §2430-F, the Department revokes the following Registry Identification Card(s): CGR 27107, CGE 9401, CGE 9400, CGE 10149. Such revocations are effective three (3) calendar days after the date of this notice.

I. Justification for revocation:

The Department's decision to revoke your Registry Identification Card(s) is based on your violations of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act. More specifically, the Department's MMMP field investigation staff have provided the Department with sufficient evidence to demonstrate the following statutory and regulatory violations:

- On 12-21-20 Field Investigator Chris Giesecke conducted an inspection of your caregiver business and cultivation location at 420 Portland St., Berwick. After the inspection was concluded, Field Investigator Giesecke e-mailed you a plan of correction to address violations of the inspection and to address whether or not you were a resident of Maine.
- You did not respond to requests for a response to the plan of correction. Your caregiver card then expired, but you renewed your license on or about 03-03-21.
- As a result of your renewed license, Field Investigator Giesecke contacted you again on 04-05-21 via e-mail and by phone. It was communicated that you needed to complete your inspection from 12-21-20 and to provide information about your residency. A plan of correction was given to you via e-mail on 04-05-21, asking for a response on 04-12-21.
- Another e-mail was sent to you by Field Investigator Giesecke on 04-16-21, asking for a
 reply due to your failure to respond. You responded to the e-mail and plan of correction
 on 04-28-21, but did not supply Field Investigator Giesecke with what was asked about
 your residency in Arizona or Maine.

• On 05-05-21, Field Investigator Giesecke e-mailed you, asking for more information on the plan of correction. As of this letter, you have not complied with the plan of correction or the inspection of your caregiver license.

Several violations were noted during your inspection, including the following:

- 1. You failed to complete the Plan of Correction that was sent to you twice and did not respond to them within the given deadline. This is a violation of a plan of correction failure to provide or follow 18-691 CMR Ch. 2 section 10 (D). It should be noted that you did not respond to several attempts to contact you.
- 2. During your inspection you could not provide any records of patient transactions, wholesales to caregivers, or from caregivers, and no records of trip tickets. This is in violation of 22 MRS § 2430(1).

For these reasons, your eligibility to participate in the MMMP has been revoked. Please immediately return your Registry Identification Card(s) to:

Department of Administrative & Financial Services Office of Marijuana Policy Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Program 162 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0162

II. Registration Revocation and Right to Request an Informal Hearing:

Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. §2430-F, the Department may suspend or revoke a registry identification card for violation of Chapter 558-C and the rules adopted by the Department. A person who has had authorization for conduct under Chapter 558-C revoked due to failure to comply with Chapter 558-C and rules adopted by the Department may request an informal hearing. If you would like to request an informal hearing, please notify the Department in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the revocation effective date at the address information provided above. A request for an informal hearing should be sent to Vernon Malloch, Deputy Director of Operations by email at Vernon.Malloch@maine.gov or USPS at 162 State House Station, 19 Union Street, Augusta, Maine 04333-0062. If the Department does not receive a hearing request in accordance with the policy, the revocation becomes final.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Field Director of Compliance Office of Marijuana Policy

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