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Dear Adult Use Cannabis Program Participants,

As you might be aware, the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP) issued its first health and safety recall for adult use cannabis and cannabis products on September 10, 2024. Since that day, a new "Cannabis Recalls" landing page has been available on the OCP website which directs to more information about the products affected by this recall, including the batch numbers. Please be assured that should there be any future product recalls, details will be made available via that webpage and all impacted licensees will be notified by the Office directly, as was the case with this most recent incident.

It is important to note that in the event of a recall, the detailed information contained in the inventory tracking system is what allows OCP to identify the affected items and licensees. During the pendency of this most recent investigation, OCP was able to put an administrative hold on the affected items and ensure that the recall was narrowly tailored to target only those items that contained contaminated cannabis, all while working directly with the licensees who had those items on hand.

Please also note that this recall was not necessitated by any misconduct by any cannabis testing facility operating in the State nor any concerns regarding the methods, technology, processes, or procedures used by these testing facilities to conduct mandatory testing on adult use cannabis or cannabis products. The Office does not have any concerns at this time regarding the integrity of the testing facilities that are licensed by the Office, certified by the Maine CDC, and maintain ISO/IEC accreditation from an independent, 3rd party accreditation body.

OCP thanks everyone for understanding as we continue to navigate the very first recall issued in the Adult Use Cannabis Program's four-year history. We are deeply appreciative of the work that you do on a daily basis to ensure the public's health and safety.

Sincerely,

John Hudak Director