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To: Current and Prospective AUCP Licensees

From: Director John Hudak, Office of Cannabis Policy

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Subject: Advance Notice of Mandatory Pesticides Testing Required After June 12, 2023

In November 2022, the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP) provided Adult Use Cannabis Program (AUCP) participants with a timeline for the implementation of mandatory pesticides testing in its Updated Guidance Regarding Mandatory Testing for Pesticides. This is a reminder that the final phase of OCP's implementation of mandatory pesticides testing for adult use cannabis and cannabis products will be completed on June 12, 2023.

Through June 12, 2023, any inventory of cannabis flower, trim, and concentrate that passed the mandatory testing requirements prior to December 12, 2022, may continue to be transferred to retail stores without the need for additional pesticides testing.

After June 12, 2023, all cannabis flower, trim, and concentrate must pass mandatory testing for pesticides before being transferred to retail for sale to consumers, including any inventory of cannabis flower, trim, or concentrate that passed all mandatory testing required before December 12, 2022, but that is not transferred to retail stores for sale to consumers before June 12, 2023.

Please direct any questions about pesticides testing to OCP's Compliance Team at Compliance.OCP@maine.gov.

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