

# Cannabis Control Division

November 7, 2023

## Cannabis Testing Laboratories

Dear Licensee:

The Cannabis Control Division is reaching out to remind all licensees that it is illegal for any person who holds a cannabis license to also hold a cannabis testing laboratory license, either directly or indirectly. Cannabis research laboratories are exempt from this prohibition. Compliance with this provision of the Cannabis Regulation Act, 26-2C-6(G) NMSA 1978, assists in ensuring that all cannabis testing laboratory results remain neutral and free from undue influence by persons who have a vested interest in receiving favorable testing results.

To this end, the Division is requesting all business documentation from cannabis testing laboratories that detail all financial and voting interests held within that company from both individual persons as well as any corporate entity. The Division will be requesting all historical documentation related to ownership going back to the effective date of the Cannabis Regulation Act, which is June 29, 2021. These documents will be due fourteen (14) calendar days from today on November 21, 2023. Failure to comply with the Division's request will result in disciplinary action for violation of rules requiring licensee compliance with Division record requests.

If there are any questions regarding compliance with Division rules, please email [CCD.Compliance@rld.nm.gov](mailto:CCD.Compliance@rld.nm.gov).

Complaints regarding this matter, and all others may be submitted to the Division using this link: <https://www.rld.nm.gov/cannabis/compliance/report-a-violation/>.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cannabis Control Division