

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment

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Mr. Travis Grimes, Director 80694 Newfoundland & Labrador Inc. 1 Hershey Drive Smiths Falls ON K7A 0A8

Dear Mr. Grimes:

## RE: White Hills (St. John's) Cannabis Production Facility - Registration 1960

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Please be advised that this undertaking is released from further environmental assessment subject to the following conditions:

- A Women's Employment Plan (WEP) for this project shall be submitted to and approved by the Women's Policy Office prior to construction. Contracted companies must be informed during the tendering process to submit a Women's Employment Plan for the project as a requirement of successful bidding. For further information, please contact the Women's Policy Office at (709) 729-3867.
- A comprehensive Waste Management Plan shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Pollution Prevention Division prior to the introduction of cannabis to the facility. For further information, please contact the pollution Prevention Division at (709) 729-7012.

The Local Governance and Planning Division of this department advises that a development permit from the City of St. John's is required prior to the commencement of construction activities. For further information, please contact the City of St. John's at (709) 576-8452

The Pollution Prevention Division of this Department advises that this facility is in close proximity to Lundrigan's Marsh and that you endeavour to minimize potential impacts to the marsh. They have also provided the guidance document entitled Best Management Practices for the storage of waste dangerous goods/hazardous waste (WDG/HW) at business sites. For further

information, please contact the Pollution Prevention Division at (709) 729-5782.

The Water Resources Management Division of this Department advises that any effluent or runoff leaving the site will be required to conform to the requirements of the *Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations*, 2003. For further information, please contact the Water Resources Management Division at (709) 729-2295.

The Government Service Centre of the Department of Service NL requires that you submit electrical plans for review and approval, and submit aapplication Fire/Life Safety (Request for Approval of Plans Form) and Building Accessibility (Application for Building Accessibility Registration Form) for review and approval. For further information, please contact the Government Service Centre at (709) 729-2008.

The Electricity and Energy Policy Division of the Department of Natural Resources advise you to contact Newfoundland Power regarding a pole line easement to the north of the project site. For further information, please contact Newfoundland Power at (709) 737-2802.

Although the undertaking, as proposed, is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review is attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. Please note that you must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or <a href="mailto:susansquires@gov.nl.ca">susansquires@gov.nl.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

ANDREW PARSONS, QC

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Attachment

Cc. Bernard Davis, MHA

District of Virginia Waters – Pleasantville