STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS CANNABIS REGULATORY AGENCY

In the Matter of

CLDD, LLC License No.: AU-R-000214 ENF No.: 21-00082

CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

CONSENT ORDER

On June 22, 2021, the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) issued a formal complaint against the adult-use marijuana retailer establishment license (AU-R-000214) of CLDD, LLC ("Respondent") under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), MCL 333.27951 *et seq.*, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder. The formal complaint alleged Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.507(2).

The executive director reviewed the stipulation contained in this document and agrees the public interest is best served by resolution of the formal complaint. Therefore, the executive director finds that all of the allegations contained in the formal complaint are true and that Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.507(2).

Accordingly, for these violations, IT IS ORDERED:

 Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of Twenty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$28,600.00). This fine shall be paid within 60 days of the effective date of this order by check, money order, or online through Accela Citizen Access (ACA). Instructions on how to make online payments can be found under the Tips for Licensees bulletin section at <u>www.michigan.gov/cra</u>. Check or money orders shall be made payable to the State of Michigan with enforcement number "21-00082" and license number "AU-R-000214" clearly displayed on the check or money order. Respondent shall mail the fine to Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Cannabis Regulatory Agency, PO BOX 30205, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

- 2. If Respondent fails to timely comply with the terms of this order, Respondent's license shall be suspended until compliance is demonstrated.
- Unless otherwise specified in this order, Respondent shall direct any communications to the CRA that are required by the terms of this order to <u>CRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov</u>.
- 4. Respondent shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred in complying with the terms and conditions of this consent order.
- 5. Respondent shall require its employees to take advanced statewide monitoring system (Metrc) training for retailers.
- If Respondent violates any term or condition set forth in this order, Respondent will be subject to fines and/or other sanctions under section7(1)(c) of the MRTMA, MCL 333.27957, and Mich Admin Code, 420.808.
- Upon timely compliance of the terms of this order by Respondent, the matters set forth in the formal complaint shall be deemed resolved and closed subject to this Consent Order.

This order shall be effective 30 days after the date signed by the CRA's executive director or his designee, as set forth below.

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Signed on: _____

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> Brian Hanna, Executive Director And/or his designee Cannabis Regulatory Agency

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STIPULATION

The parties stipulate to the following:

- 1. The facts alleged in the formal complaint are true and constitute a violation of the administrative rules promulgated under the MRTMA.
- Respondent understands and intends that by signing this stipulation, Respondent is waiving the right under the MRTMA, administrative rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*, to require the CRA to prove the violations set forth in the formal complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and to present a defense to the violations.
- 3. The parties considered the following in reaching this agreement:
 - a. Respondent's noncompliance resulted from its misunderstanding of the rules and regulations.
 - Respondent has since implemented a procedure for a supervisory employee to check for updates in rules and bulletins daily to prevent future noncompliance.
 - c. Respondent was cooperative and wishes to resolve the allegations without the need for and expense of an administrative hearing.
- 4. The CRA's enforcement division director or his/her designee must approve this proposed agreement before it is forwarded to the CRA's executive director or his designee for review and issuance of the above consent order. The parties reserve the right to proceed to an administrative hearing without prejudice to either party, should the CRA's enforcement division director, executive director, or their designees reject the proposed consent order.

By signing this stipulation, the parties confirm that they have read, understand, and agree with the terms of the consent order.

AGREED TO BY:

Desmond Mitchell

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Desmond Mitchell, Operations Director Daniel Kidder, Authorized Officer and/or his designee Cannabis Regulatory Agency

Dated: 7/12/2023

AGREED TO BY:

on behalf of Respondent CLDD, LLC

Dated: 7/10/2023

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STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

In the Matter of

CMP No.: 20-001095

CLDD, LLC dba Fuel 420 AU-ER No.: 000316 License No.: AU-R-000214 ENF No.: 21-00082

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FORMAL COMPLAINT

The Marijuana Regulatory Agency ("Complainant") files this formal complaint against CLDD, LLC dba Fuel 420 ("Respondent") alleging upon information and belief as follows:

1. The Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) is authorized under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), 2018 IL1, *et seq.*, and Executive Reorganization Order No.2019-2, MCL 333.27001, to investigate alleged violations of the MRTMA and the Administrative Rule promulgated thereunder, take disciplinary action to prevent such violations, and impose fines and other sanctions against applicants and licensees that violate the MRTMA or Administrative Rules.

2. Section 8(1)(d) of the MRTMA provides that the Administrative Rules must ensure the health, safety, and security of the public and integrity of the marihuana establishment operations.

3. Respondent's conduct as described below is a risk to public health and safety and/or the integrity of marihuana establishment operations.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS AND INTENDED ACTION OF THE MRA

4. Respondent holds an active state license under the MRTMA to operate an adult use retailer establishment in the state of Michigan.

5. Respondent operated at 1255 Falahee Rd. Jackson, Michigan 49203, at all times relevant to this complaint.

6. Following an investigation, the MRA determined that Respondent violated the MRTMA and/or Administrative Rules promulgated thereunder as set forth below:

- a. On October 21, 2020, the MRA discovered that Respondent created a package of marijuana flower with statewide monitoring system (Metrc) tag 1A4050100001AF5000000439 by using eleven different strains/packages.
- b. The Respondent, by combining numerous strains/packages into one, caused the following information on the marijuana product labels to be false, deceptive, and/or misleading:
 - i. The unique identification number for the package or the harvest.
 - ii. Name of strain.
 - iii. Concentration of Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and cannabidol (CBD) as reported by the laboratory after potency testing along with a statement that the actual value may vary from the reported value by 10%.
 - iv. Activation time expressed in words or through a pictogram.
 - v. Name of the laboratory that performed any test, and any test analysis date.
- c. Further analysis identified that Respondent created all the following packages by using flower from different strains/packages:
 - i. 1A4050300008E95000000010
 - ii. 1A4050300008E95000000011
 - iii. 1A4050300008E95000000013
 - iv. 1A4050300008E95000000014

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- v. 1A4050300008E9500000016
- vi. 1A4050300008E95000000017
- vii. 1A4050300008E9500000018
- viii. 1A4050300008E95000000019
- ix. 1A4050300008E9500000020
- x. 1A4050300008E9500000021
- xi. 1A4050300008E9500000022
- xii. 1A4050300008E9500000023
- xiii. 1A4050300008E9500000024
- d. Based on the above, the Respondent violated Mich Admin Code R 420.507(2), which states marijuana product must not be advertised in a way that is deceptive, false or misleading or have deceptive, false, or misleading statements on the product itself.

THEREFORE, based on the above, the MRA gives notice of its intent to impose fines and/or other sanctions against Respondent's license, which may include the suspension, revocation, restriction, and/or refusal to renew Respondent's license.

Under MCL 333.27957 (1)(c) and Mich Admin Code, R 420.704(2), any party aggrieved by an action of the MRA suspending, revoking, restricting, or refusing to renew a license, or imposing a fine, shall be given a hearing upon request. A request for a hearing must be submitted to the MRA in writing within 21 days after service of this complaint. Notice served by certified mail is considered complete on the business day following the date of the mailing.

Respondent also has the right to request a compliance conference under Mich Admin Code, R 420.704(1). A compliance conference is an informal meeting at which Respondent has the opportunity to discuss the allegations in this complaint and demonstrate compliance under the MRTMA and/or the Emergency Rules. A compliance conference request must be submitted to the MRA in writing.

Hearing and compliance conference requests must be submitted in writing by one of the following methods:

By Mail:	Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs Marijuana Regulatory Agency P.O. Box 30205 Lansing, Michigan 48909
In Person:	Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs Marijuana Regulatory Agency 2407 North Grand River Lansing, Michigan 48906
By Email:	MRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov

If Respondent fails to timely respond to this formal complaint, a contested case hearing will be scheduled to resolve this matter.

Questions about this complaint should be directed to the Marijuana Regulatory Agency's legal section at (517) 284-8599 or <u>MRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov.</u>

Dated: June 22, 2021

MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

By: Claire Patterson	Digitally signed by Claire Patterson Date: 2021.06.22 11:42:44 -04'00'
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Claire Patterson, Scientific and Legal Section Manager