## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS CANNABIS REGULATORY AGENCY<sup>1</sup>

In the Matter of

Edgewood Wellness, LLC dba Edgewood CannabisCMP No.: 21-001037AU-ER No.: 000310License No.: AU-R-000348ENF No.: 21-00373

CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

#### CONSENT ORDER

On September 16, 2021, the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) issued a formal complaint against the adult use retail establishment license (no. AU-R-000348) of Edgewood Wellness, LLC dba Edgewood Cannabis (Respondent) under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), MCL 333.27951 *et seq.*, and administrative rules promulgated thereunder. The complaint alleged Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), R 420.502(4), and R 420.505(1).

The executive director or designee reviewed the stipulation contained in this document and agrees the public interest is best served by resolution of the complaint. Therefore, the executive director or designee finds that the allegations contained in the complaint are true and that Respondent violated Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), R 420.502(4), and R 420.505(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Marijuana Regulatory Agency was renamed the Cannabis Regulatory Agency under Executive Reorganization Order No. 2022-1, effective April 13, 2022. MCL 333.27002(1)(a).

Accordingly, for these violations, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of thirty-two thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$32,000.00). This fine shall be paid within 90 days of the effective date of this order by check, money order, or online through Accela Citizen Access (ACA). CRA guidance on how to make compliance payments online is available under "Tips for Licensees" at <u>www.michigan.gov/cra/bulletins</u>. Checks or money orders shall be made payable to the State of Michigan with "ENF No. 21-00373" and "License No. AU-R-000348" clearly displayed on the check or money order and mailed to: Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Cannabis Regulatory Agency, P.O. 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.
- 3. 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-CSS@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. If Respondent violates any term or condition set forth in this order, Respondent may be subject to additional fines and/or other sanctions.

This order shall be effective 30 days after the date signed by the CRA's

executive director or designee, as set forth below.

CANNABIS REGULATORY AGENCY

Signed on: <u>1/31/24</u>

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Executive Director Brian Hanna or Designee Cannabis Regulatory Agency

#### **STIPULATION**

The parties stipulate to the following:

1. The facts alleged in the formal complaint are true and constitute a violation of the MRTMA and administrative rules promulgated thereunder.

2. 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 charges set forth in the complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority and to present a defense to the charges.

3. The parties considered the following in reaching this agreement:

a) Respondent was cooperative and wishes to resolve the allegations without the need for and expense of an administrative hearing.

4. The CRA's operations director or designee must approve this proposed agreement before it is forwarded to the CRA's executive director or 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 operations director, executive director, or designees reject the proposed consent order.

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By signing this stipulation, the parties confirm that they have read,

understand, and agree with the terms of the consent order.

AGREED TO BY:

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Desmond Mitchell Operations Director Cannabis Regulatory Agency

Dated: 1/31/24

/s/ Jeffrey W. Miller

Jeffrey W. Miller (P78786) Assistant Attorney General Attorney for Cannabis Regulatory Agency Dated: <u>01/30/2024</u> AGREED TO BY:

Jeffrey A. Hank (P71152) Edgewood Cannabis Authorized Representative On behalf of Respondent Edgewood Wellness, LLC Dated: \_\_\_\_\_i / 3 c / 2 u 2 4

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

In the Matter of

Edgewood Wellness, LLC dba Edgewood Cannabis AU-ER No.: 000310 License No.: AU-R-000348 ENF No.: 21-00373 CMP No.: 21-001037

# FORMAL COMPLAINT

The Marijuana Regulatory Agency ("Complainant") files this formal complaint against Edgewood Wellness, LLC dba Edgewood Cannabis ("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 retail establishment in the state of Michigan.

5. Respondent operated at 134 E. Edgewood Blvd., Lansing, Michigan 48911, 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 June 14, 2021, statewide monitoring system (METRC) package tag number 1A4050300006EF6000012698 (tag #12698) was placed on administrative hold.
- b. On July 12, 2021, METRC package tag numbers 1A4050300006EF6000012248 and 1A4050300006EF6000012279 (tag #12248 and tag #12279, respectively) were placed on administrative hold.
- c. Between June 21, 2021 and July 23, 2021, Respondent made sales from package tag #12698 after it was placed on administrative hold in violation of Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3), which states a marihuana business shall not sell or transfer marihuana product that has been placed on administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.
- d. Between July 14, 2021 and July 25, 2021, Respondent made sales from package tag #12248 and tag #12279 after they were placed on administrative hold in violation of Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(3).
- Respondent sold marijuana product to customers after the packages were placed on administrative hold, which is also a violation of Mich Admin Code, R 420.505(1), which states a marihuana sales location may sell or transfer marihuana or a marihuana product to a marihuana customer if all of the

following are met: (a) The marihuana product has not been placed on administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.

f. Additionally, because sales were made after the packages were placed on administrative hold, Respondent did not verify in METRC that the packages were placed on administrative hold prior to any sale or transfer, in violation of Mich Admin Code, R 420.502(4), which states a marihuana business must verify in the statewide monitoring system, prior to any sale or transfer, that the marijuana product has been placed on administrative hold, recalled, or ordered to be destroyed.

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

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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>

9/16/21 Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Claire Patterson By:

Claire Patterson, Manager Scientific and Legal Section Manager Enforcement Division Marijuana Regulatory Agency