



TO: Elke Doom, City Manager; Valdez City Council; Sheri Pierce, City Clerk

FROM: Bart Hinkle, Chief of Police

RE: DKW Farms LLC Inspection [VPD 18-0659]

DATE: February 15, 2018

At approximately 1330 hours on February 14, 2018 I visited DKW Farms LLC so that I could conduct an inspection of their commercial marijuana cultivation facility. The last inspection had been conducted on May 25, 2017 – at which time DKW Farms LLC was not operating as a viable cultivation facility.

Since the last inspection I had conducted, DKW Farms LLC completed construction of their cultivation facility, successfully passed a State of Alaska inspection, and begun operating as a commercial marijuana cultivation facility.

Present during the inspection were two of the business partners of DKW Farms LLC. I found each partner (Mr. Watson and Mr. Dunning) to be cooperative with my requests, forthcoming with their business practices and details, and operating in a manner that meets industry regulations.

During the duration of the inspection, Mr. Dunning and Mr. Watson explained the procedure for disposing of waste, transportation methods, displayed facility logbooks, and demonstrated a video surveillance system that meets or exceeds statutory requirements. I did not observe any noticeable violations or any business practice that would indicate DKW Farms LLC is operating out of compliance with State of Alaska or City of Valdez regulations.

To date, we have not received any complaints from nearby residents regarding an odor of marijuana emanating from DKW Farms LLC. Nor has the Valdez Police Department received complaints regarding any other violations by DKW Farms LLC, or needed to respond to the facility location.