

## VALDEZ POLICE DEPARTMENT P.O. BOX 307 VALDEZ, ALASKA 99686 907-835-4560 (PHONE) 907-834-3412 (FAX)



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

FROM: Bart Hinkle, Chief of Police

RE: DKW Farms LLC Commercial Marijuana Inspection

DATE: September 11, 2018

At approximately 1630 hours on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Officer Mitchell and I conducted an inspection of DKW Farms LLC. I have conducted previous inspections of DKW Farms LLC, both during the construction and application period as well as since the facility has been operating. Additionally, the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office has also conducted inspections during that timeframe – including on 5/2/18.

During the inspection on May  $2^{nd}$ , the AMCO Officer observed enough discrepancies to prompt him to issue a Notice of Violation on 5/8/18 [AMCO Case #: AB18-0509].

During our inspection on 9/6/18, I did not observe any notable violations. Mr. Dunning (one of the owners of DKW Farms LLC) followed proper procedures for visitors to his facility (identification, sign in, and issuing a visitor pass). I observed the facility to be properly secured with an active alarm system as well as a robust video surveillance system. The process outlined by Dunning, et al. appeared to be within the confines of their existing license and well within the administrative codes as defined by the State.

At the conclusion of our inspection, I spoke with Dunning regarding the Notice of Violation that he received on 5/8/18. Mr. Dunning essentially confirmed what I had been informed of by the State – that the violation was pertained to discrepancies between inventory tracking in METRC and in the Veg Room. Mr. Dunning stated DKW Farms LLC took immediate action to rectify the issues, and that they were not required to appear before the Marijuana Control Board. Mr. Dunning indicated he could provide me with the documentation of the corrective actions they took, and that it satisfied the State.

I provided Mr. Dunning with my valid email address and asked him to please forward his correspondence so that I may include it in this report to Council. As of 9/11/18, I have yet to receive the correspondence Mr. Dunning sent the State.

VPD has not received any complaints regarding odor, illegal operations, or any other criminal issues regarding DKW Farms LLC's cultivation facility. At this point, there is – in my opinion – no reasonable grounds to contest their renewal application.