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TO: Interested parties, industrial hemp registrants
FROM: Lindsay Eng, Director of Market Access and Certification Programs
RE: Emergency fee increase for industrial hemp registrations

This notice is to let you know that as of January 3, 2017 fees for the industrial hemp program will increase in order to address a revenue shortfall in the program. Given the administrative and policy costs of implementing the industrial hemp program over the past two years and anticipated costs going forward, an immediate fee increase is required in order for the program to continue.

These following fees will be effective for all registrations for growing, handling and seed production for any application received on or after January 3, 2017.

- Industrial hemp grower registration $1300
- Industrial hemp handler registration $1300
- Industrial hemp seed production registration $ 120

We will closely track revenue and costs over the next several years and will adjust fees if we begin to see the financial health of the program improve in coordination with our rules advisory committee.

Thank you and best regards,

Lindsay Eng