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November 29, 2018

Plants of Ruskin, Inc. d/b/a AltMed Florida
c/o John Tipton
901 4th Street Northwest
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Re: Surterra Wholesale Purchase

Dear Mr. Tipton,

The Florida Department of Health ("Department") received a variance request ("Variance") from Alpha Foliage, Inc. d/b/a Surterra Therapeutics ("Surterra"), dated November 14, 2018. In the request, Surterra sought approval to make a wholesale purchase of medical marijuana flower and oil from Plants of Ruskin, Inc. d/b/a AltMed Florida ("AltMed") pursuant to section 381.986(8)(c), Florida Statutes.

On November 21, 2018, Surterra supplemented its request with a contract between AltMed for a wholesale purchase of [REDACTED]. The proposed contract also stated that Sutrertra may purchase additional marijuana product from AltMed that is not to exceed [REDACTED].

The Department requested additional information from AltMed regarding the wholesale to Surterra on November 27, 2018. AltMed responded to the Department's request on November 28, 2018.

The Department finds that the wholesale agreement, as supplemented, serves the purpose of the original representations in AltMed's original application and will not diminish its qualifications to dispense low-THC cannabis and medical marijuana as a licensed medical marijuana treatment center. As such, the wholesale agreement between Surterra and AltMed is approved.

AltMed remains bound by both section 381.986, Florida Statutes, and Department regulations, and must continue to request to make any material changes to the representation it has made to the Department. If you have any questions, please contact the Department directly for assistance.

Sincerely,


Courtney F. Ceppola

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This letter is agency action for purposes of section 120.569, Florida Statutes. A party whose substantial interest is affected by this action may petition for an administrative hearing pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. A petition must be filed in writing and must be received by the Agency Clerk within twenty-one (21) days from receipt of this notice. The petition may be mailed to the Agency Clerk, Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, BIN #A-02, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1703; hand delivered to the Agency Clerk, Department of Health, 2585 Merchants Row Blvd., Prather Building, Suite 110, Tallahassee, FL; or sent by facsimile to (850) 413-8743. Such petition must be filed in conformance with Florida Administrative Code Rules 28-106.201 or 28-106.301, as applicable.

Mediation is not available.

Failure to file a petition within 21 days shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on this agency action.