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To: LCRB Staff Licensees Industry Associations Local authorities

Re: Producer Retail Store licence class (farm-gate sales), open packages, and sale of plants

The Cannabis Licensing Regulation (CLR) has been amended to establish the new Producer Retail Store (PRS) licence class that enables eligible federally licensed cannabis cultivators and nurseries located in B.C. to sell cannabis from a store located at their cultivation site. This new licence class comes into effect November 30, 2022.

Further, effective today, the CLR provisions prohibiting patrons from opening cannabis packages in the retail store have been removed. Cannabis retail patrons will now be able to open their cannabis packages in the store after it is purchased. This will allow patrons to inspect their cannabis products. This applies to the Cannabis Retail Store (CRS) and PRS licence types.

Finally, the CLR has been amended to limit cannabis plant sales to four plants per transaction in alignment with current plant possession rules. Cannabis plants are sold through the Liquor Distribution Branch's Direct Delivery program, which launched on August 15, 2022.

Further Information

Further information regarding cannabis control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch website at <u>https://www.gov.bc.ca/lcrb</u>.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch at <u>CannabisRegs@gov.bc.ca</u>.

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