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Dear Hemp Product Retailers and Producers,

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) Office of Hemp Enforcement is writing with updates regarding the Hemp Product Retail Facility Registration. Beginning November 15, 2024, VDACS will require registrations of entities who wish to offer for sale regulated hemp products intended for human consumption (orally or by inhalation). Pursuant to [§ 3.2-4122. Regulated hemp product retail facility registration; fee.](#), no person shall offer for sale or sell at retail (i) a regulated hemp product or (ii) a substance intended for human consumption, orally or by inhalation, that is advertised or labeled as containing an industrial hemp-derived cannabinoid without a regulated hemp product retail facility registration.

Notable requirements to be aware of include but are not limited to:

- A regulated hemp product retail facility registration shall be required for **each location** that offers for sale or sells at retail regulated hemp products.
- As required by law, a **nonrefundable** annual registration fee of \$1,000 shall be required with each application for a regulated hemp product retail facility registration.
- Each registration issued shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance and may be renewed in successive years. Each annual renewal shall require the payment of the nonrefundable annual registration fee.

In order to offer for sale a regulated hemp product in Virginia after November 15, 2024, you must submit the Regulated Hemp Product Retail Facility Registration Application to VDACS. Please visit the VDACS [Office of Hemp Enforcement](#) webpage to access the application. Applications can be submitted by mail with a check or money order. Electronic applications will be accepted for payments made electronically. Registrations will be issued in the order in which the application was received, and applicants will receive confirmation once an application and fee has been properly verified by VDACS Office of Hemp Enforcement. Hemp product retailers found to be offering for sale regulated hemp products without submitting a Hemp Product Retail Facility Registration Application after December 31, 2024 may face significant civil penalties of \$2,000 initially. Retailers found to be in repeat violation of § 3.2-4122 may receive subsequent civil penalties. Issuance of registration does not denote that all products sold are safe or compliant with federal, state, and local laws.

If you have any questions please contact the Office of Hemp Enforcement at 804-786-1382 or by email at HempEnforcement@vdacs.virginia.gov.