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Hemp Information Sheet – “Hot” Crops

Background:

Under federal law and state law, a hemp crop must not exceed 0.3%THC dry weight, which is the definition of hemp. Crops grown and tested above 0.3% THC are to be destroyed. In Indiana statute, IC 15-15-13-9, a person may exercise their right to request of the state seed commissioner that the crop can be diverted as described below. This document is intended to provide you with guidance on making an appeal to the state seed commissioner.

- 1. If your crop is tested by OISC and found to be “hot”, the following letter will be issued:**

1st Letter on hot crop

Indiana Hemp Producer (Actual Name here).

The Office of Indiana State Chemist and Seed Commissioner (OISC) inspection staff sampled your hemp crop and the OISC lab found the crop to be above the 0.3% Total THC level. At this time we are directing you to immediately destroy the crop. Per Indiana Law 15-15-13-9 (h) you have the right to an appeal to the state seed commissioner for the hemp crop to be diverted to a willing licensed processor for processing and sale for industrial use, only if this crop is not to be used for for cannabidiol, other extracts, oil, food, or cosmetic products that are used for humans or animals.

- 2. You must comply with the order to destroy the crop, or you may submit an appeal to the state seed commissioner (See the back of this page for a copy of the appeal.). Upon receipt of your appeal, the state seed commissioner will review your request and make a determination on your appeal. If your appeal is granted, thereby allowing the crop to be diverted for industrial use, the state seed commissioner will issue the following letter of approval.**

2nd Letter after successful appeal

Indiana Hemp Producer (actual name here),

The Office of Indiana State Chemist (OISC) inspection staff sampled your hemp crop and the OISC lab found the crop to be above the 0.3% Total THC level. Your appeal has been reviewed and approved. After your successful appeal you are allowed to ret the crop for a minimum of 15 days and at the end of that period of time you can continue to sell the harvest as a fiber crop only. DO NOT TRANSPORT OR RELOCATE the cut crop until the retting process has been completed. We suggest that you consider not planting this variety in future years to protect yourself from potential destruction of crop orders in the future.

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3. Within 24 hours following completion of your retting and harvest process, you must notify in writing the Office of the State Seed Commissioner of the following:
- 1) the date of completion of your retting process;
 - 2) that the crop has been harvested,
 - 3) that the crop is no longer in the field, and
 - 4) to whom (e.g., processor) the crop is delivered (including complete address and Indiana hemp license number).

Fax this information to 765-496-3967 or email to indianahemp@groups.purdue.edu

Office of Indiana State Chemist & Seed Commissioner Official Appeal to Divert Fiber Hemp Crop

The Office of Indiana State Chemist and Seed Commissioner has ordered the hemp crop related to lab test result number _____ to be destroyed because the total tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) levels in the crop average were found to exceed three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) on a dry weight basis.

I, _____, with Indiana Hemp License # - _____ am the grower of the hemp crop related to lab test result number _____. I hereby appeal pursuant to IC 15-15-13-9 (h) to the Indiana State Seed Commissioner to be allowed to ret the hemp crop referred to above, for a minimum of 15 days.

I have secured a willing licensed processor, _____, who will process the crop only for industrial use (fiber). I understand that I cannot transport or relocate my crop during the retting process.

I also understand that it is a violation of State Law to allow the diverted crop to be used for cannabidiol, other extracts, oil, food, or cosmetics products that are used for humans or animals.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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