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**RE: Metrc® Software Updates**

Dear Marijuana Industry Stakeholders:

Over the past several weeks Franwell announced the release of several significant updates and changes to the Metrc® software. Franwell e-mails Software Update Bulletins to all Metrc Administrators each time there is an update to the system that will impact industry users. It is important to remember that according to MED Rule M 309 (J) Inventory Tracking System & MED Rule R 309 (I) Inventory Tracking Solution, a licensee; "...must utilize the Inventory Tracking System in conformance with these rules and Inventory Tracking System procedures." Often, an update to the software requires a modification to procedures for the industry user. It is therefore critical that Metrc users stay current with updates and procedures to ensure appropriate and compliant use of the inventory tracking system. Please note that according to MED Rule M 309 (G)(1) Inventory Tracking System & MED Rule R 309 Inventory Tracking Solution (F)(1), "...Any misstatements or omissions may be considered a license violation affecting public safety."

Colorado Revised Statutes 12-43.3-202 (1)(h) and 12-43.4-202 (1) grant the State Licensing Authority the responsibility to develop, implement, and maintain the inventory tracking system. Two important examples of system enhancements and procedural updates that are critical to the continued development and implementation of a robust tracking system are detailed below:

- Licensees shall identify and track test packages that are being used for *Process Validation* as identified in MED Medical and Retail Rules 1501 & 1503. A licensee must select the "Process Validation Checkbox" when creating a test sample package each time a test sample is being submitted as part of the Process Validation procedure. This will allow both the Licensee and MED to comprehensively track and produce standard reports to show an item or facility has gone through the appropriate number of tests in the appropriate timeframe for the process to be considered validated.
- A licensee shall identify the origination of Immature Plantings. In order to accurately track immature plant batches, a licensee will indicate the "mother" plant or existing package in their inventory that the clones or seeds making up the immature plant batch originated from.

For further details on Metrc updates and procedures licensees are encouraged to take advantage of Advanced Training Courses that Franwell offers. To sign-up for training please visit <http://www.metrc.com/colorado>. To review previously released Software Update Bulletins, please visit the Support tab after you sign into Metrc as a user. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Regards,

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