STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER, BLDGS. 68-69
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
CRANSTON, RI 02920

IN THE MATTER OF:

EAST COAST LABS
Matthew Madison

DBR No. 19MM006

RESPONDENT.

Licensed Premises: Warwick, Rhode Island

CONSENT AGREEMENT

(Medical Marijuana – Unregistered Agent at Cultivator or Compassion Center)

The Department of Business Regulation ("Department") and the above named respondent ("Respondent") hereby consent and agree that:

On March 27, 2019, David Brooks received an email including two manifests depicting the transfer of cannabis samples from Green Angel, LLC to East Coast Labs. Manifest 1, dated 11/14/2018 shows a transfer of three, 3.5 samples of cannabis. Manifest 2, dated 1/3/19, shows a transfer of one, 3.5 sample of cannabis. The Respondent was acting as an agent without the proper agent registry identification card to do so. This is a violation of the Edward O. Hawkins and Thomas C. Slater Medical Marijuana Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.6-1 et seq., as amended by Article 14 of R.I. Public Laws 2016, ch. 142, Article 14 (as so amended, the "Act") and the Rules and Regulations Related to the Medical Marijuana Program Administered by the Department of Business Regulation 230-ricr-800-05-1 (formerly known as 161-ricr-300-35-1) (the "Regulations").

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, the Department has reason to believe that Respondent violated the Regulations as described previously herein. Accordingly, the Department has sufficient cause to take enforcement action against Respondent pursuant to the Act and the Regulations.

In an effort to effect a timely and amicable resolution of the issues raised in this Consent Agreement without administrative hearing, Respondent represents and agrees as follows:

a. Within twenty (20) days of the date of this Agreement, Respondent will take all actions necessary to cure the above-cited violations, specifically by obtaining an agent registry identification card and pay to the Department an administrative penalty in the amount of $100,000 to the Rhode Island General Treasurer.

b. Respondent shall hereafter comply in all respects with the requirements under the Act and the Regulations, including refraining from acting as an agent of a licensed/registered medical marijuana facility until such time as the Respondent obtains the proper agent registry identification card.
By agreeing to resolve this matter through the execution of this Consent Agreement, Respondent voluntarily waives its right to the administrative hearing process, voluntarily waives its right to appeal any finding therefrom to the superior court and agrees to take all necessary action as delineated in this Consent Agreement to maintain its license in good standing.

Respondent hereby acknowledges and agrees that failure to abide by any of the requirements of this Consent Agreement shall be grounds for the Department to initiate further administrative proceedings to impose penalties against Respondent including, but not limited to: (i) revocation and/or suspension, and (ii) such additional administrative penalties that the Department deems appropriate.

THE DEPARTMENT AND RESPONDENT HEREBY CONSENT AND AGREE TO THE FOREGOING AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE:

Department:

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

By: ____________________________
Name: Norman Birenbaum
Title: Director Policy & Programs

DATE: 6-12-19

Respondent:

[East Coast Labs]

By: ____________________________
Name: Matthew Madison

its duly authorized: [Signature]

DATE: 6-12-19