

Cannabis Control Division

July 24, 2024

Notice of Argon Labs Expired License and Destruction of Samples

If you have received this notice, then you are a New Mexico Cannabis Control Division (“CCD”) licensee that has sent cannabis samples to Argon Labs (CCD License #: TSTL-2022-003-PRM-0001), that have since been destroyed and for which you must now submit these samples to be retested at another licensed testing lab of your choosing.

As of July 17, 2024, Argon Labs, no longer has an active cannabis testing license from the CCD. The company is believed to be in the process of renewing their CCD license. If the license is properly renewed the company may resume sample testing in the future, however, the CCD does not have a timeframe for when the license will be renewed.

The CCD required the destruction of these testing samples due to an unapproved transfer during this unlicensed period. Due to the breakdown of the chain of custody requirements, which ensures appropriate tracking and tracing of cannabis product samples, the CCD has determined that the sampled product is no longer fit to be used for sampling or any other purpose.

While we understand the loss of this product for testing and the requirement to resubmit new samples is an unfortunate additional expense to impacted licensees, the CCD will move forward with pursuing administrative action against the parties that caused this issue to arise in accordance with the due process requirements of NMSA 1978, Section 61-1-10 of the Uniform Licensing Act (“ULA”) and the Cannabis Regulation Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 26-2C-1 to -42 (2021), (“CRA”).

If you have any questions or concerns about this process, please reach out to the Division at rld.cannabiscontrol@rld.nm.gov or at (505) 476-4995.