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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Mlynarik and Members of the

DATE: July 12, 2017

Marijuana Control Board

FROM: Erika McConnell, Director RE: Arming Authorization

I am requesting your delegated approval to arm Michael Chiesa, our new AMCO investigator stationed in Fairbanks, pursuant to the provisions provided for in AS 17.38.131.

Given the very recent date of hire, the Department of Public Safety Commissioner has not yet had the chance to give his written concurrence granting peace officer powers for Investigator Chiesa in accordance with the provisions set forth in AS 04.06.110 and AS 17.38.131. Therefore, I am requesting delegated authority for Investigator Chiesa to be armed contingent upon the approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

Michael Chiesa has six years of law enforcement experience in Alaska and 20 years in California. Mr. Chiesa has served as a police officer for the cities of Kodiak and Sand Point, achieving the rank of sergeant in both departments. Mr. Chiesa holds a current advanced police officer certificate from the Alaska Police Standards Council.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.