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Cc:	Douglas, Craig J (CED)
Subject:	FW: Request: Additional May MCB Meeting
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Erika McConnell
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From: Rep. Cathy Tilton [mailto:Rep.Cathy.Tilton@akleg.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 1:00 PM
To: McConnell, Erika B (CED) <erika.mcconnell@alaska.gov>
Subject: Request: Additional May MCB Meeting

Erika,

Please review the attached letter regarding my request for the Marijuana Control Board to consider an additional board meeting in May.

Thank you,

Rep. Cathy Tilton, House District 12
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Mr. Mark Springer, Chair
Attn: Erika McConnell, Director
550 W 7th Ave. Ste. 1600
Anchorage, AK 99501

March 7, 2018

Dear Mr. Springer,

By copy of this letter, I am requesting the Alaska Marijuana Control Board consider adding an additional meeting, in May, to address the backlog of permits waiting to be considered.

I understand these delays result from unavoidable staffing issues and not because of the board's lack of attention or the work ethic of AMCO employees. Nonetheless, there are nearly 20 applications in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough currently "under review" and because of the MCB's current meeting schedule a number of these applicants will not have completed applications prior to the submission deadline for the April meeting, but would likely have completed applications for an additional May meeting.

As you know, the House Finance Committee received an extensive briefing on the day-to-day operations of the AMCO in association with HB 299/301 and departmental budget briefings. I clearly understand the challenges AMCO and MCB face dealing with the growing pains of this new industry.

It is my hope the Marijuana Control Board will consider adding a meeting in May to its 2018 calendar to assist Alaskan entrepreneurs.

Sincerely,

Rep. Cathy L. Tilton, member
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