



Agriculture and Markets

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Dear Mr. Liburdi:

The Department of Agriculture and Markets has approved your application to conduct an Industrial Hemp Pilot Research Program.

We want to be sure that you are aware that, according to the Controlled Substances Act, industrial hemp is still considered a Class 1 Controlled Substance. The law regarding interstate importation of industrial hemp seed and other propagative materials is subject to differing interpretations, therefore, permit holders who procure seed or other propagative materials from growers in other states with pilot research programs do so at their own risk.

Attached to this letter you will find two copies of the Industrial Hemp Research Partner Agreement required to be executed with the State of New York. Please sign and notarize both copies of the agreement. You will also find attached a copy of your application which serves as the scope of work for your project as well as a template "Exhibit 2" which you will need to fill in, listing the individuals involved in your industrial hemp project.

I am including with this letter three attachments relating to Industrial Hemp Research Programs. Please take a few moments to review these documents.

- 1) Section 7606 of the 2014 Farm Bill
- 2) Section 763 of the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2016
- 3) A guidance document authored by USDA, USDOJ and USFDA

Thank you for your interest in becoming an Industrial Hemp Processor and if we may be of further service to you do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher A. Logue".

Christopher A. Logue
Director, Division of Plant Industry