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Subject: EIR Comments from Suncrest Nurseries Inc.

Dear Mr. Johnston,

I represent Suncrest Nurseries, Inc., a 27 year old wholesale grower of landscape and fine garden plants. We grow several thousand of varieties of plants, approx. 3500 varieties, that we ship throughout California and parts of the Pacific Northwest. We grow and sell millions of plants each year. Suncrest employs approximately 130 employees, many of whom have been a part of the Suncrest community since inception. We occupy 5 separate parcels along Casserly Road in Watsonville. Our main office is the same location as the original Leonard Coates Nursery, which dates back to 1874, and was one of the very first original horticulture nurseries in California and the first nursery to grow native California varieties. Suncrest has a long rich history of growing a remarkable diversity of horticulture. We have a strong reputation for growing and producing quality plants safely, and have remained current and in compliance with all regulatory agencies, and state and federal laws. I believe we are well poised to offer consistent, safe and honorable business practices in the cannabis market.

We hope to participate in cannabis production in Santa Cruz County as soon as possible, with the primary intention of producing clones for sale in liners to growers who support and serve the medical cannabis market. Cannabis would be added as an additional crop to an established operation that is already growing thousands of varieties of plants, and capable of producing hundreds of thousands of liners per month.

Please receive our comments submitted today, October 2, 2017, as relating to the EIR draft for Santa Cruz County.

Respectfully,

Christine Jennifer
President, Suncrest Nurseries, Inc.