



Department of
Cannabis Control
CALIFORNIA

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February 10, 2026

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Gartik Corp.
Benjamin Levine, DRP/Owner
ben@ohiogreensystems.com

Marc Lazo, Esq.
Powerhouse Legal PC
mlazo@phlegal.us.com

Re: Gartik Corp. - Case No. DCC24-0002720-INV
Order Adopting Stipulated Settlement as Final Decision

Dear Messrs. Levine and Lazo:

Pursuant to section 11415.60 of the Government Code, attached please find a copy of the Department of Cannabis Control's Order Adopting Stipulated Settlement as the Final Decision in the above-referenced matter involving Gartik Corp.

The Department's Order and Final Decision will be effective today, February 10, 2026. Pursuant to this Final Decision and its stipulated settlement, Gartik Corp. has waived any right to reconsideration or appeal in this matter and to receive a copy of the Decision and Order via certified, registered, or first-class mail.

Sincerely,

Douglas Smurr
Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure

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**BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Citation Against:)	CASE NO. DCC24-0002720-INV
)	
GARTIK CORP.;)	ORDER ADOPTING STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AS FINAL DECISION
BENJAMIN LEVINE, DRP/OWNER)	
84805 Avenue 48, Suite # 3A-3)	
Coachella, CA 92236)	
Cannabis Distributor License No. C11-0000573-LIC)	
Respondent.)	

Pursuant to Government Code section 11415.60, the Department of Cannabis Control hereby adopts the attached Stipulated Settlement and Order as its Final Decision in this matter.

This Order and Final Decision shall become effective on February 10, 2026.

IT IS SO ORDERED, February 10, 2026.



Douglas Smurr
Assistant General Counsel
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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8 **BEFORE THE**
9 **DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL**
10 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 In the Matter of the Citation Against:

12 **GARTIK CORP.**
13 **BENJAMIN LEVINE, DRP/OWNER**
14 **84805 Avenue 48 Ave. Suite # 3A-3**
15 **Coachella, CA 92236**

16 **Cannabis Distributor License**
17 **No. C11-0000573-LIC**

18 Respondent.

Case No. DCC24-0002720-INV

**STIPULATED SETTLEMENT OF
CITATION AND ORDER**

19 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
20 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

21 **PARTIES**

22 1. Evelyn Schaeffer (Complainant) is the Deputy Director of the Compliance Division
23 of the Department of Cannabis Control (Department). She brought this action solely in her
24 official capacity and is represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of
California, by Harinder K. Kapur, Senior Assistant Attorney General.

25 2. Respondent Gartik Corp. (Respondent), with Benjamin Levine, Designated
26 Responsible Party and Owner, are represented in this proceeding by attorney Marc Lazo,
27 Powerhouse Legal PC, 21163 Newport Coast Dr., #245, Newport Beach, CA 92657. Respondent
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1 is acting in this proceeding through Benjamin Levine, who has been designated and authorized by
2 Respondent to enter into this agreement on its behalf. (hereafter “Authorized Representative”).

3 3. On or about June 28, 2019, the Department issued Cannabis Distributor License
4 No. C11-0000573-LIC to Respondent with Benjamin Levine, Owner. The Cannabis Distributor
5 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Citation
6 No. DCC24-0002720-INV, and will expire on June 26, 2026, unless renewed.

7 **JURISDICTION**

8 4. Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV was filed before the Department, and is currently
9 pending against Respondent. The Citation and all other statutorily required documents were
10 properly served on Respondent on August 22, 2025. Respondent timely filed its appeal
11 contesting the Citation.

12 5. A true and correct copy of Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV is attached as Exhibit
13 A and incorporated herein by reference.

14 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

15 6. Respondent through its Authorized Representative has carefully read, fully discussed
16 with counsel, and understands the violations in Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV. Respondent
17 through its Authorized Representative has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and
18 understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order.

19 7. Respondent through its Authorized Representative is fully aware of its legal rights in
20 this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Citation; the right
21 to confront and cross-examine the witnesses; the right to present evidence and to testify on its
22 own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the
23 production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision;
24 and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable
25 laws.

26 8. Respondent through its Authorized Representative is fully aware of its legal rights to
27 receive a copy of the Decision and Order via certified, registered, or first-class mail Respondent
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1 agrees to receive a copy of the Decision and Order in this matter via email at the following email
2 addresses: mlazo@phlegal.us.com.

3 9. Respondent through its Authorized Representative voluntarily, knowingly, and
4 intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

5 **CULPABILITY**

6 10. Respondent through its Authorized Representative admits the truth of violations 1, 2,
7 3, 4, and 6 contained in Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV.

8 11. Respondent through its Authorized Representative denies violation 5 contained in
9 Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV.

10 12. Respondent through its Authorized Representative agrees that its Cannabis
11 Distributor License No. C11-0000573-LIC is subject to citation and agrees to be bound by the
12 Department's imposition fines as set forth in the Order below.

13 **CONTINGENCY**

14 13. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Department. Respondent through
15 its Authorized Representative understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff
16 of the Department may communicate directly with the Department regarding this stipulation and
17 settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or its counsel. By signing the
18 stipulation, Respondent through its Authorized Representative understands and agrees that it may
19 not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Department
20 considers and acts upon it. If the Department fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and
21 Order, the Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order shall be of no force or effect, except for
22 this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the
23 Department shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

24 14. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
25 copies of this Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures
26 thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

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1 By U.S. Postal Service:
2 Department of Cannabis Control
3 Attn: Cashiers
4 P.O. Box 419106
5 Ranch Cordova, CA 95741-9106

6 OR

7 By FedEx or UPS:
8 Department of Cannabis Control
9 Attn: Cashiers
10 2920 Kilgore Road
11 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-9106

12 5. Failure to complete the payments, or comply with the terms of this Order shall
13 constitute a separate violation pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5,
14 subdivision (f) and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17804, subdivision (c), and
15 subject the respondent to further administrative action by the Department, including suspension or
16 non-renewal of Respondent's Cannabis - Distributor License No. C11-0000573-LIC, as well as
17 denial of any other license sought.

18 6. Failure to complete the payments or comply with the terms of this Order shall also
19 result in Respondent's immediate obligation and responsibility to pay the full amount of the
20 Department's costs of investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code
21 section 26031 and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17813, in the amount of nine
22 thousand eight hundred eighty-four dollars and thirteen cents (\$9,884.13), less any partial
23 payments received prior to the failure to complete payments or comply with the terms of this
24 Order, and will result in enforcement of the Order in the Superior Court.

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ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Marc Lazo, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Cannabis Distributor License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Department of Cannabis Control.

DATED: 1/29/2026 
GARTIK CORP.;
BENJAMIN LEVINE,
OWNER and AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Gartik Corp. and Benjamin Levine, Owner and Authorized Representative the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: Jan 29, 2026 
MARC LAZO, Esq.
Powerhouse Legal PC
Attorney for Respondent

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ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Department of Cannabis Control.

DATED: January 30, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

ROB BONTA
Attorney General of California



HARINDER K. KAPUR
Senior Assistant Attorney General
Attorneys for Complainant

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Exhibit A

Citation No. DCC24-0002720-INV



CITATION, FINE and ORDER OF ABATEMENT
Business and Professions Code, § 26031.5
California Code of Regulations, Title 4, §§ 17802-17804

Citation Number: DCC25-0001751-CIT

Issued To	Gartik Corp.
Date of Service	August 22, 2025
License Number	C11-0000573-LIC

Business and Professions Code section 26031.5 provides the Department of Cannabis Control (Department) the authority to issue a citation, including fines and orders of abatement, to a licensee or unlicensed person for any act or omission that violates or has violated any provision of the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA) or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto. You are being issued this citation for the following violations of MAUCRSA (Bus. & Prof. Code (BPC) § 26000 et seq.), and the Department’s regulations. (Cal. Code Regs. (CCR), tit. 4, § 15000 et seq.)

VIOLATION	VIOLATION DATE(S)	AMOUNT OF FINE PER DAY	TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINE FOR VIOLATION
1. 4 CCR §15047.2 (b)	July 22, 2024	\$5,000	\$5,000
2. 4 CCR §15051 (a)(1)	August 21, 2024 September 20, 2024 October 20, 2024 November 19, 2024 December 19, 2024	\$1,000	\$5,000
3. 4 CCR §15052.1 (a)(1), (b)	July 22, 2024	\$2,000	\$2,000
4. 4 CCR §15314 (c)	July 22, 2024	\$2,000	\$2,000

VIOLETION	VIOLETION DATE(S)	AMOUNT OF FINE PER DAY	TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINE FOR VIOLETION
5. 4 CCR §15000.7 (a)	July 22, 2024 – January 16, 2025 (178 days)	\$250	\$44,500
6. 4 CCR §15305 (b)	September 19, 2024 October 15, 2024	\$5,000	\$10,000
Total amount			\$68,500

Violation 1

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15047.2, subdivision (b) provides that licensees shall accurately record all commercial cannabis activity in the track and trace system.

On July 22, 2024, Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC, provided transport services for another distributor license, located in the city of Desert Hot Springs; as a part of this effort, Gartik recorded the transfer of 8,000 units of bulk gummies from the other licensee’s premises to Gartik’s licensed premises in its California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account. On the same date, Gartik reported in its CCTT account that it physically received the bulk gummies.

On January 16, 2025, the Department conducted an inspection of the licensed premises at 84805 Avenue 48, Suite #3A-3, Coachella, CA 92236. During the inspection, Department staff discovered that the cannabis products (bulk gummies) were not located on the licensed premises, despite being in Gartik’s CCTT account; when asked, the licensee’s representative stated that they did not physically possess the bulk gummies on the premises, nor had they physically received them onto the premises on the reported date of July 22, 2024.

The Licensee failed to accurately report all commercial cannabis activity in the track trace system in violation of California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15047.2. subdivision (b).

Violation 2

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15051, subdivision (a)(1) provides that the licensee shall review the information recorded in the track and trace system at least once every 30 calendar

days to ensure its accuracy, including at minimum reconciling on-hand inventory of cannabis and cannabis product with the records in the track and trace system.

On July 22, 2024, Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC, provided transport services for another distributor license, located in the city of Desert Hot Springs; as a part of this effort, Gartik recorded the transfer of 8,000 units of bulk gummies from the other licensee's premises to Gartik's licensed premises in its California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account. On the same date, Gartik reported in its CCTT account that it physically received the bulk gummies.

On January 16, 2025, the Department conducted an inspection of the licensed premises at 84805 Avenue 48, Suite #3A-3, Coachella, CA 92236. During the inspection, Department staff discovered that the cannabis products (bulk gummies) were not located on the licensed premises, despite being in Gartik's CCTT account; when asked, the licensee's representative stated that they did not physically possess the bulk gummies on the premises, nor had they physically received them onto the premises on the reported date of July 22, 2024.

The licensee failed to review the information recorded in the track and trace system at least once every 30 calendar days, in violation of California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15051, subdivision (a)(1). Specifically, the licensee failed to review the information recorded in the licensee's track and trace account on August 21, 2024, September 20, 2024, October 20, 2024, November 19, 2024, and December 19, 2024 to ensure its accuracy, including at a minimum, reconciling on-hand inventory of cannabis and cannabis product with the records in the track and trace system.

Violation 3

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15052.1, subdivision (a)(1) provides that a licensee shall accept or reject, in whole, shipments of cannabis or cannabis products. California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15052.1, subdivision (b) further provides that if a licensee receives a shipment containing cannabis or cannabis products that differ from those listed on the sales invoice or receipt, the licensee shall reject the portion of the shipment that is not accurately reflected on the sales invoice or receipt.

On July 22, 2024, Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC, provided transport services for another distributor license, located in the city of Desert Hot Springs; as a part of this effort, Gartik recorded the transfer of 8,000 units of bulk gummies from the other licensee's

premises to Gartik's licensed premises in its California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account. On January 16, 2025, the Department conducted an inspection of the licensed premises at 84805 Avenue 48, Suite #3A-3, Coachella, CA 92236. During the inspection, Department staff discovered that the cannabis products (bulk gummies) were not located on the licensed premises, despite being in Gartik's CCTT account; when asked, the licensee's representative stated that they did not physically possess the bulk gummies on the premises, nor had they physically received them onto the premises on the reported date of July 22, 2024.

The licensee failed to reject a shipment of cannabis or cannabis products that was inaccurately listed on the sales invoice or receipt, in violation of California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15052.1, subdivision (a)(1).

Violation 4

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15314, subdivision (c), provides that the licensed distributor shall ensure and verify that the cannabis or cannabis products being taken into possession for transport at the originating licensed premises are as described and accurately reflected in the shipping manifest.

On July 22, 2024, Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC, provided transport services for another distributor license, located in the city of Desert Hot Springs; as a part of this effort, Gartik recorded the transfer of 8,000 units of bulk gummies from the other licensee's premises to Gartik's licensed premises in its California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account. On the same date, Gartik reported in its CCTT account that it physically received the bulk gummies.

On January 16, 2025, the Department conducted an inspection of the licensed premises at 84805 Avenue 48, Suite #3A-3, Coachella, CA 92236. During the inspection, Department staff discovered that the cannabis products (bulk gummies) were not located on the licensed premises, despite being in Gartik's CCTT account; when asked, the licensee's representative stated that they did not physically possess the bulk gummies on the premises, nor had they physically received them onto the premises on the reported date of July 22, 2024.

The licensee failed to ensure and verify that the cannabis or cannabis products being taken into possession for transport at the originating licensed premises are as described and accurately reflected in the shipping manifest, in violation of California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15314, subdivision (c).

Violation 5

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15000.7 subdivision (a) provides that all cannabis and cannabis products must be stored within the licensed premises.

On July 22, 2024, Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC, provided transport services for another distributor license, located in the city of Desert Hot Springs; as a part of this effort, Gartik recorded the transfer of 8,000 units of bulk gummies from the other licensee's premises to Gartik's licensed premises in its California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account. On the same date, Gartik reported in its CCTT account that it physically received the bulk gummies.

On January 16, 2025, the Department conducted an inspection of the licensed premises at 84805 Avenue 48, Suite #3A-3, Coachella, CA 92236. During the inspection, Department staff discovered that the cannabis products (bulk gummies) were not located on the licensed premises, despite being in Gartik's CCTT account; when asked, the licensee's representative stated that they did not physically possess the bulk gummies on the premises, nor had they physically received them onto the premises on the reported date of July 22, 2024.

The licensee failed to store all cannabis and cannabis products on the licensed premises, in violation of California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15000.7 subdivision (a).

Violation 6

California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15305 subdivision (b) provides that a licensed distributor or an employee of the licensed distributor shall be physically present to observe the laboratory employee obtain the sample of cannabis or cannabis products for testing and shall ensure that the increments are taken from throughout the batch.

On October 28, 2024, Department staff received video surveillance from Gartik Corp. (Licensee or Gartik), license number C11-0000573-LIC while conducting a separate investigation of another laboratory license, located in the city of Long Beach. Thereafter, the video surveillance was reviewed by Department staff and discovered that on September 19, 2024, and October 15, 2024, the laboratory license did not collect relative samples from the entire production batch, and only collected sample units from a single box that did not contain the full production batch for each sample that was collected on the above-mentioned dates.

The licensee failed to ensure that the laboratory employee obtained increment samples of cannabis or cannabis products for testing throughout the batch.

ORDER OF ABATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5, a citation may include an order of abatement and fix a reasonable time for abatement of the violation. You are ordered to:

1. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15047.2. subdivision (b), which provides that all commercial cannabis activity shall be accurately recorded in the track and trace system.
2. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15051. subdivision (a)(1), which provides that the licensee shall review the information recorded in the track and trace system at least once every 30 calendar days to ensure its accuracy, including at minimum reconciling on-hand inventory of cannabis and cannabis product with the records in the track and trace system.
3. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15052.1 (a)(1), which provides that a licensee shall accept or reject, in whole shipments of cannabis or cannabis products. If a licensee receives a shipment containing cannabis or cannabis products that differ from those listed on the sales invoice or receipt, the licensee shall reject the portion of the shipment that is not accurately reflected on the sales invoice or receipt.
4. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15314. subdivision (c), which provides that the licensed distributor shall ensure and verify that the cannabis or cannabis products being taken into possession for transport at the originating licensed premises are as described and accurately reflected in the shipping manifest.
5. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15000.7 subdivision (a), which provides that all cannabis and cannabis products must be stored within the licensed premises.
6. Immediately cease and desist from violating the California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15305 subdivision (b), which provides that a licensed distributor or an employee of the licensed distributor shall be physically present to observe the laboratory employee obtain the sample of cannabis or cannabis products for testing and shall ensure that the increments are taken from throughout the batch.

You must abate the violation(s) and provide evidence of abatement to the Department within the time period specified in the order of abatement. Failure to abate the violation(s) within the time allowed, unless the violation is being appealed, shall constitute a separate violation and may result in denial of an application for licensure or renewal of a license, disciplinary action, or further administrative or civil proceedings. If you are unable to complete the correction within the time provided because of conditions beyond your control after the exercise of reasonable diligence, you may request an extension of time in which to correct the violation. The request shall be made in writing and submitted to the Department, at aaron.lew@cannabis.ca.gov within the time set forth for abatement. The time to abate or correct may be extended for good cause.

The Department may seek recovery of the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Profession Code section 26031.1 at the formal hearing on the citation.

If you have any questions regarding this citation or the appeals process, please contact Aaron Lew at DCCcitations@cannabis.ca.gov and cc aaron.lew@cannabis.ca.gov.

Date: 08/20/2025

By: _____

Daniel Briot
Assistant Branch Chief
Investigative Services Branch
Department of Cannabis Control

APPEALING THE CITATION

To appeal the citation, you may request an informal conference with the Department, or request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge, or both. Requests must be submitted in writing in accordance with the timeframes specified below or the right to a hearing is waived. If a hearing is not requested, payment of a fine will not constitute an admission of the violation charged.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE

You may request an informal conference with the Department regarding the acts or omissions found in the citation in accordance with CCR, title 4, section 17803. During an informal conference, you may present evidence supporting an adjustment to the citation and/or fine(s). The Department may affirm, modify, or dismiss the citation, including any fines assessed or orders of abatement issued. The informal conference may also resolve any matters relating to the citation through a settlement agreement.

To request an informal conference, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department at DCCcitations@cannabis.ca.gov, within 15 calendar days from service of this citation. The informal conference may be conducted by telephone, through a virtual platform, or in person, at the Department's Headquarters, located at 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, California 95670. The informal conference will be held within 15 calendar days from receipt of the written request by the Department.

Requesting an informal conference does not stay or toll the running of the 30-day period for you to request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge. You should request an informal conference as soon as possible if you would like to allow time to hold the conference prior to the deadline for contesting the citation as the time to contest a citation does not stop if you request an informal conference.

At the conclusion of the informal conference, a written decision stating the reasons for the decision will be mailed to you within 15 calendar days from the date of the informal conference, which shall be deemed a final order. If the citation is dismissed, any request for a formal hearing shall be deemed withdrawn. If the citation is affirmed or modified, you may either withdraw the request for a formal hearing or proceed with the hearing. If the citation is modified, the original citation shall be considered withdrawn and a new citation issued. A request for a formal hearing on the new citation must be submitted to the Department in writing within 30 calendar days of issuance of the new citation.

CONTESTING THE CITATION

You have a right to contest the finding of a violation before an Administrative Law Judge by requesting a formal hearing. To request a formal hearing, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department within 30 calendar days from service of the citation. If a request is not received by the Department within 30 calendar days, the right to a hearing is waived, and the citation becomes final and not subject to review by any court. The hearing shall be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). Written requests for a hearing to contest the finding of a violation must be emailed to appeals@cannabis.ca.gov or submitted in hard copy by mail or delivery to:

U.S. Postal Service	FedEx or USPS
Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division PO Box 419106 Rancho Cordova, CA 95741	Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division 2920 Kilgore Road Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE ASSESSED

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5, the Department may assess a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation by a licensee or thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) per violation by an unlicensed person. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate violation.

The full amount of the fine must be paid within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this citation, unless the citation is contested. To ensure the payment is credited, indicate on your payment the case number provided at the top of this citation. Payment made by check, money order or cashier's check may be made payable to "DCC" or "California Department of Cannabis Control." Payment shall be made by one of the following methods:

In person: at one of our office locations with exact cash, cashier's check, money order, or a personal or business check

- To schedule an in-person payment appointment, email us:
payments@cannabis.ca.gov
- Or call us at: 1-844-61-CA-DCC (1-844-612-2322)

By mail: cashier's check, money order, personal or business check

- U.S. Postal Service: ATTN: Payments, PO Box 419106, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741
- FedEx or UPS: ATTN: Payments, 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670





Failure to pay the full amount of the administrative fine within thirty (30) days from the date of service of the citation, unless you appeal the citation, is a separate violation and may result in additional action by the Department. Licenses shall not be renewed or granted if fines are not paid and unpaid fines will be added to license renewal fees.

----- **Return Payment Slip** -----

Citation #: *DCC25-0001751-CIT*

Business Name: *Gartik Corp.*

Amount Due: *\$68,500*

License #: *C11-000573-LIC*

Due Date: *30 days from Date Served*

Date of Service:

PROOF OF SERVICE

Case Name: In the Matter of the Citation Against: Gartik Corp.
DCC Case No. DCC24-0002720-INV
License Number: C11-0000573-LIC, Distributor

I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is Department of Cannabis Control, 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. On February 10, 2026, I served the within documents:

ORDER ADOPTING STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AS FINAL DECISION

- VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION. Pursuant to CCP § 1010.6, I caused the document(s) to be sent to the person(s) at the Email address(es) listed below. I did not receive, within a reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the transmission was unsuccessful.
- VIA CERTIFIED MAIL by placing the envelope for collection and mailing following our ordinary business practices for collecting and transmitting mail through the United States Postal Service to the individual(s) or entity(ies) listed below.
- Service via certified mail to be completed upon the following business day.

Gartik Corp.
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ben@ohiogreensystems.com

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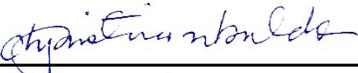
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Executed on February 10, 2026, at Rancho Cordova, California.



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