



Department of
Cannabis Control
CALIFORNIA

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March 4, 2026

VIA EMAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL

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Re: Meriprana LLC dba Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC - Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC
Default Decision and Order

Dear Messrs. Batta, Mackey, and Smith:

Pursuant to the Department of Cannabis Control's authority under Government Code section 11520, the Department finds Respondent Meriprana LLC dba Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC, in default and therefore will proceed as described in the attached Default Decision and Order.

Be advised that Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), provides that Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated upon stating the ground relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision. Respondent may address any written motion to the Department via email at DCCDecisions@cannabis.ca.gov, or by post or courier to:

Department of Cannabis Control
Office of the General Counsel
2920 Kilgore Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The Department in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

Barring such a timely motion, the attached Default Decision and Order involving Meriprana LLC will become effective on April 3, 2026.

Sincerely,

Douglas Smurr
Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**MERIPRANA LLC DBA
GENUINE NO. 9'S, MEDIPRANA +,
GENUINE NO. 9'S, MEDIPRANA LLC;
ANDRES BATTA II, DESIGNATED
RESPONSIBLE PARTY
2338 E Anaheim St, Suite 103
Long Beach, CA 90804**

**Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License
No. DCC-10004132**

Respondent.

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

[Gov. Code, §11520]

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about January 27, 2026, Complainant Evelyn Schaeffer, in her official capacity as the Deputy Director of the Compliance Division of the Department of Cannabis Control, filed Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC against Meriprana LLC doing business as “Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana +” and “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana LLC” with Andres Batta II as Owner (Owner, and collectively referred to as Respondent), before the Department of Cannabis Control. (Accusation is attached as Exhibit A.)

2. On or about March 24, 2020, the Department of Cannabis Control (Department) issued Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License No. DCC-10004132 to Respondent. The Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges

1 brought in Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC and will expire on March 23, 2026, unless
2 renewed.

3 3. On or about January 28, 2026, Respondent was served by Certified and First-Class
4 Mail copies of the Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC, Statement to Respondent, Notice of
5 Defense, Request for Discovery and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5,
6 11507.6, and 11507.7) at Respondent's address of record which, pursuant to California Code of
7 Regulations, title 4, section 15002, is required to be reported and maintained with the
8 Department. Respondent's address of record was and is: 2338 E Anaheim St, Suite 103, Long
9 Beach, CA 90804. In addition to service at Respondent's address of record, on January 28, 2026,
10 Respondent was served by Certified and First-Class Mail copies of the Accusation No. DCC25-
11 0000868-LIC, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery and Discovery
12 Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7), at the following addresses:
13 2338 E. Anaheim St, Suite 102, Long Beach, CA 90804, which is the address of record of
14 Respondent's Designated Responsible Party; and 8001 Somerset Blvd., #81, Paramount, CA
15 90723, which is the address for Respondent's Registered Agent for Service of Process with the
16 California Secretary of State.

17 4. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of
18 Government Code section 11505(c) and/or Business and Professions Code section 124.

19 5. Government Code section 11506(c) states, in pertinent part:

20 (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent
21 files a notice of defense . . . and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all
22 parts of the accusation . . . not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense
23 . . . shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its
24 discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.

25 6. The Department takes official notice of its records and the fact that Respondent failed
26 to file a Notice of Defense within 15 days after service upon them of the Accusation, and
27 therefore waived its right to a hearing on the merits of Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC.

28 7. California Government Code section 11520(a) states, in pertinent part:

(a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense . . . or to appear at
the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express
admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without

any notice to respondent

8. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Department finds Respondent is in default. The Department will take action without further hearing and, based on the relevant evidence contained in the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this matter, finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC, are separately and severally, found to be true and correct by clear and convincing evidence.

9. The Department finds that the actual costs for Investigation and Enforcement are \$13,091.75.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Meriprana LLC dba “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana +” and “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana LLC” has subjected its Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 No. DCC-10004132 to discipline.

2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.

3. The Department of Cannabis Control is authorized to revoke Respondent's Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 based upon the following violations alleged in the Accusation which are supported by the evidence contained in the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this case:

a. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 4, sections 15000.3, subdivision (d), and 17800 [Failure to provide Department representatives with immediate access to its licensed premises.]

b. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 4, sections 15020, subdivision (d)(5) and 15023, subdivision (e)(1) [Failure to notify the Department of a change in contact information provided in the original license application.]

c. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 4, sections 15047.2 and 15049.2 [Track and Trace requirements.]

1 d. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 26030, subdivisions
2 (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15037 [Failure to
3 provide copies of requested records to the Department.]

4 e. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 26030, subdivisions
5 (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17801, subdivision (e)
6 [Notice to Comply Requirements.]

7 **ORDER**

8 IT IS SO ORDERED that Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 No. DCC-10004132, issued to
9 Respondent Meriprana LLC dba “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana +” and “Genuine No. 9’s,
10 MediPrana LLC”, is revoked.

11 Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a
12 written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within
13 seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may
14 vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

15 This Decision shall become effective on April 3, 2026.

16 IT IS SO ORDERED, March 4, 2026.

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18 _____
19 Douglas Smurr
20 Assistant General Counsel
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

21 Default Decision and Order - LIC.docx
22 DOJ Matter ID:LA2025803717

23 Attachment:
24 Exhibit A: Accusation

Exhibit A

Accusation

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

11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

12 **MERIPRANA LLC DBA**
13 **GENUINE NO. 9'S, MEDIPRANA +,**
14 **GENUINE NO. 9's, MEDIPRANA LLC;**
15 **ANDRES BATA II, DESIGNATED**
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ACCUSATION

Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License
No. DCC-10004132

Respondent.

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21 **PARTIES**

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23 1. Evelyn Schaeffer (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity
24 as the Deputy Director of the Compliance Division of the Department of Cannabis Control
25 (Department).

26 2. On or about March 24, 2020, the Department issued Provisional Cannabis
27 Manufacturer - Type 6 License No. DCC-10004132 to Meriprana LLC doing business as
28 "Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana +" and "Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC" (Respondent), with

1 Andres Batta II as Designated Responsible Party (DRP Batta). The Provisional Cannabis
2 Manufacturer – Type 6 License was transitioned to an annual license on June 18, 2024. The
3 Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the
4 charges brought herein and will expire on March 24, 2026, unless renewed.

5 **JURISDICTION**

6 3. This Accusation is brought before the Director of the Department (Director), under
7 the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions
8 Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

9 4. Section 26010 of the Code states:

10 There is in the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, the
11 Department of Cannabis Control under the supervision and control of a director. The
12 director shall administer and enforce the provisions of this division related to the
13 department.

14 5. Section 26010.5, subdivision (d), of the Code states:

15 The department has the power, duty, purpose, responsibility, and jurisdiction to
16 regulate commercial cannabis activity as provided in this division.

17 6. Section 26012, subdivision (a), of the Code states:

18 It being a matter of statewide concern, except as otherwise authorized in this
19 division, the department shall have the sole authority to create, issue, deny, renew,
20 discipline, condition, suspend, or revoke licenses for commercial cannabis activity.

21 7. Section 26013, subdivision (a), of the Code states:

22 The department shall make and prescribe reasonable rules and regulations as
23 may be necessary to implement, administer, and enforce its duties under this division
24 in accordance with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of
25 Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Those rules and regulations shall be
26 consistent with the purposes and intent of the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of
27 Marijuana Act.

28 8. Section 26031 of the Code states:

(a) The department may suspend, revoke, place on probation with terms and
conditions, or otherwise discipline licenses issued by the department and fine a
licensee, after proper notice and hearing to the licensee, except as provided in Section
26031.01, if the licensee is found to have committed any of the acts or omissions
constituting grounds for disciplinary action. The disciplinary proceedings under this
chapter shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section
11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and the director

1 shall have all the powers granted therein.

2 (b) The department may suspend or revoke a license when a local agency has
3 notified the department that a licensee within its jurisdiction is in violation of state
4 rules and regulations relating to commercial cannabis activities, and the department,
through an investigation, has determined that the violation is grounds for suspension
or revocation of the license.

5 (c) The department may take disciplinary action against a licensee for any
6 violation of this division when the violation was committed by the licensee's officers,
7 directors, owners, agents, or employees while acting on behalf of the licensee or
engaged in commercial cannabis activity.

8 (d) The suspension or expiration of a license issued by the department, or its
9 suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the department or by order of a
10 court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the department, shall not,
11 during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated,
deprive the department of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary
proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order
suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the
licensee on any such ground.

12 9. Section 26034 of the Code states:

13 All accusations against licensees shall be filed by the department within five
14 years after the performance of the act or omission alleged as the ground for
15 disciplinary action; provided, however, that the foregoing provision shall not
16 constitute a defense to an accusation alleging fraud or misrepresentation as a ground
17 for disciplinary action. The cause for disciplinary action in that case shall not be
deemed to have accrued until discovery, by the department, of the facts constituting
the fraud or misrepresentation, and, in that case, the accusation shall be filed within
five years after that discovery.

18 **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

19 10. Section 26030 of the Code, in part, states:

20 Grounds for disciplinary action include, but are not limited to, all of the
21 following:

22 (a) Failure to comply with the provisions of this division or any rule or
regulation adopted pursuant to this division.

23 ...

24 (c) Any other grounds contained in regulations adopted by the department
25 pursuant to this division....

26 11. Section 26160 of the Code states:

27 (a) A licensee shall keep accurate records of commercial cannabis activity.

28 (b) All records related to commercial cannabis activity as defined by the

1 department shall be maintained for a minimum of seven years.

2 (c) The department may examine the records of a licensee and inspect the
3 premises of a licensee as the department, or a state or local agency, deems necessary
4 to perform its duties under this division. All inspections and examinations of records
5 shall be conducted during standard business hours of the licensed facility or at any
6 other reasonable time. Licensees shall provide and deliver records to the department
7 upon request.

8 (d) Licensees shall keep records identified by the department on the premises of
9 the location licensed. The department may make any examination of the records of
10 any licensee. Licensees shall also provide and deliver copies of documents to the
11 department upon request.

12 (e) A licensee, or its agent or employee, that refuses, impedes, obstructs, or
13 interferes with an inspection of the premises or records of the licensee pursuant to this
14 section, has engaged in a violation of this division.

15 (f) If a licensee, or an agent or employee of a licensee, fails to maintain or
16 provide the records required pursuant to this section, the licensee shall be subject to a
17 citation and fine of up to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) per individual violation.

18 **REGULATORY PROVISIONS**

19 12. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15000.3, subdivision (d), states:

20 (d) Licensees shall ensure that the Department has immediate access to their
21 licensed premises. If the Department is denied access to a licensee's premises for any
22 reason, the licensee shall be held responsible and subject to discipline. If the
23 Department is denied access to one licensee's premises because of another licensee's
24 refusal to grant access when the only access to one licensed premises is through
25 another licensed premises, all licensees shall be held responsible and subject to
26 discipline.

27 13. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15020, subdivision (d)(5),
28 states:

(d) The license renewal form shall contain the following:

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(5) Documentation of any change to any item listed in the original application
under section 15002 that has not been reported to the Department through another
process pursuant to the Act or this division....

14. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15023, subdivision (e)(1),
states:

(e) When any of the following changes occur, the licensee shall notify the
Department within 14 calendar days of the change:

(1) Any change to contact information from the information provided to the
Department in the original application....

1 15. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15037, states in pertinent part:

2 (a) Licensees must keep and maintain records in connection with the licensed
3 commercial cannabis business. Records must be kept for at least seven years from the
4 date of creation, unless a shorter time is specified. Records include, but are not
5 limited to:

6 (1) Financial records including, but not limited to, bank statements, sales
7 invoices, receipts, tax records, and all records required by the California Department
8 of Tax and Fee Administration (formerly Board of Equalization) under title 18,
9 California Code of Regulations, sections 1698 and 4901.

10 (2) Personnel records, including each employee's full name, Social Security
11 number or individual taxpayer identification number, date employment begins, and
12 date of termination of employment, if applicable.

13 ...

14 (6) All other documents prepared or executed by an owner or their employees
15 or assignees in connection with the licensed commercial cannabis business.

16 (7) Records required by the Act or this division.

17 (b) Records must be kept in a manner that allows the records to be produced for
18 the Department in either hard-copy or electronic form....

19 16. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15047.2, in part, states:

20 ...

21 (b) All commercial cannabis activity shall be accurately recorded in the track
22 and trace system.

23 (c) A licensee is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of all data and
24 information entered into the track and trace system. The licensee is responsible for all
25 actions taken by the designated account manager or other account users while
26 performing track and trace activities.

27 (d) A person shall not intentionally misrepresent or falsify information entered
28 into the track and trace system.

17. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15049.2, in part, states:

(a) A licensee shall prepare a shipping manifest through the track and trace
system prior to transferring cannabis and cannabis products off of a licensed
premises. The following information shall be recorded on the shipping manifest by
the licensee initiating the transfer:

...

(c) Upon pick-up or receipt of cannabis and cannabis products for transport,
storage, or inventory, a licensee shall ensure that the cannabis or cannabis products

1 received are as described in the shipping manifest. The licensee shall record
2 acceptance or receipt, and acknowledgment of the cannabis or cannabis products in
the track and trace system.

3 (d) If there are any discrepancies between type or quantity of cannabis or
4 cannabis products specified in the shipping manifest and the type or quantity received
by the licensee, the licensee shall reject the shipment.

5 18. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17800, states:

6 (a) The Department and its authorized representatives, for purposes of
7 inspection, investigation, review, or audit, shall have full and immediate access to:

8 (1) Enter any premises licensed by the Department.

9 (2) Inspect and test any vehicle or equipment possessed by, in control of, or
used by a licensee or their agents and employees for the purpose of conducting
10 commercial cannabis activity.

11 (3) Test any cannabis goods or cannabis-related materials or products possessed
by, in control of, or used by a licensee or their agents and employees for the purpose
12 of conducting commercial cannabis activity.

13 (4) Copy any materials, books, or records of any licensee or their agents and
employees.

14 (b) Failure to cooperate with and participate in any Department investigation
15 pending against the licensee may result in a licensing violation subject to discipline.
This subsection shall not be construed to deprive a licensee of any privilege
16 guaranteed by the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or any
other constitutional or statutory privileges. This subsection shall not be construed to
17 require a licensee to cooperate with a request that would require the licensee to waive
any constitutional or statutory privilege or to comply with a request for information or
18 other matters within an unreasonable period of time in light of the time constraints of
the licensee's business. Any constitutional or statutory privilege exercised by the
19 licensee shall not be used against the licensee in a regulatory or disciplinary
proceeding against the licensee.

20 (c) Prior notice of an inspection, investigation, review, or audit is not required.

21 (d) Any inspection, investigation, review, or audit of a licensed premises shall
22 be conducted anytime the licensee is exercising privileges under the license, or as
otherwise agreed to by the Department and the licensee or its agents, employees, or
representatives.

23 (e) If the licensed premises is not accessible because access is only available by
24 going through another licensed premises and the licensee occupying the other
licensed premises denies the Department access, the licensees shall both be held
25 responsible and subject to discipline.

26 19. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17801, states:

27 (a) The Department may issue a Notice to Comply to a licensee for violation(s)
28 of the Act or this division discovered during an investigation or audit or observed
during an inspection.

1 (b) The Notice to Comply shall be in writing and describe the nature and facts
2 of each violation, including a reference to the statute or regulation violated, and may
3 indicate the manner in which the licensee must correct the violation(s) to achieve
4 compliance.

5 (c) The Department may serve the Notice to Comply personally, by email, or by
6 mail to the licensee or an employee, agent, or person delegated by the licensee to
7 accept notice.

8 (d) The licensee shall sign and return the Notice to Comply and describe how
9 compliance was achieved within 30 calendar days after the date of personal service or
10 the date of emailing or mailing of the notice or a different date specified by the
11 Department. The Department may also require the licensee to provide a plan for
12 review and approval by the Department on a case-by-case basis.

13 (e) Failure to correct the violation(s) in the Notice to Comply may result in
14 disciplinary action.

15 **COST RECOVERY**

16 20. Section 26031.1 of the Code states:

17 (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, in an order issued in resolution of a
18 disciplinary proceeding before the department, the administrative law judge, upon
19 request, may direct a licensee found to have committed a violation to pay a sum not to
20 exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

21 (b) A certified copy of the actual costs, or a good faith estimate of costs where
22 actual costs are not available, signed by the department or its designated
23 representative shall be prima facie evidence of reasonable costs of investigation and
24 prosecution of the case. The costs shall include the amount of investigative and
25 enforcement costs up to the date of the hearing, including, but not limited to, charges
26 imposed by the Attorney General.

27 (c) The administrative law judge shall make a proposed finding of the amount
28 of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case when requested
pursuant to subdivision (a). The finding of the administrative law judge with regard to
costs shall not be reviewable by the department to increase the cost award. The
department may reduce or eliminate the cost award, or remand to the administrative
law judge if the proposed decision fails to make a finding on costs requested pursuant
to subdivision (a).

(d) If an order for recovery of costs is made and timely payment is not made as
directed in the department's decision, the department may enforce the order for
repayment in any appropriate court. This right of enforcement shall be in addition to
any other rights the department may have as to any licensee to pay costs.

(e) In any action for recovery of costs, proof of the department's decision shall
be conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms for payment.

(f)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the department shall not renew or
reinstate the license of any licensee who has failed to pay all of the costs ordered
under this section.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the department may, in its discretion,

1 conditionally renew or reinstate for a maximum of one year the license of any
2 licensee who demonstrates financial hardship and who enters into a formal agreement
3 with the department to reimburse the department within that one-year period for the
4 unpaid costs.

5 (g) All costs recovered under this section shall be considered a reimbursement
6 for costs incurred and shall be deposited into the Cannabis Control Fund to be
7 available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

8 (h) Nothing in this section shall preclude the department from including the
9 recovery of the costs of investigation and enforcement of a case in any stipulated
10 settlement.

11 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

12 21. On April 16, 2025, Department staff attempted to conduct a regulatory compliance
13 inspection of Respondent's licensed premises. Respondent's licensed premises is located in a
14 shared commercial building that requires visitors to request entry from a building tenant via
15 intercom. There was no listing for Respondent in the building's intercom directory thus
16 preventing Department staff's entry. Department staff called four different contacts at the phone
17 numbers listed in the Department's records, including DRP Batta¹, but all four phone numbers
18 were either disconnected or belonged to an unknown party. Department staff also left a voicemail
19 on Respondent's business phone line but did not receive a return call.

20 22. While onsite, Department staff reviewed Respondent's California Cannabis Track and
21 Trace (CCTT) account activity and noted that there were 113 active packages of cannabis or
22 cannabis products that should have been physically present in the licensed premises, including
23 approximately 207 pounds of untested cannabis flower, 290 pounds of untested cannabis plants,
24 and 690 cannabis vape cartridges. Prior to their departure, Department staff served a Notice to
25 Comply (NTC) to Respondent's e-mail addresses of record, but the e-mail was returned as
26 undeliverable due to invalid email addresses.

27 23. The NTC demanded immediate access to Respondent's licensed premises, video
28 surveillance footage of all exterior and interior cameras of Respondent's licensed premises from
April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, records of all outbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to

¹ Owners, as defined by Business and Professions Code section 26001, subdivision (ap), associated with Respondent are Andres Batta II, and Daniel Mackey.

1 April 16, 2025, all inbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, employee
2 records for all individuals employed by Respondent from October 1, 2024, to April 16, 2025, and
3 all transport vehicle registration(s) and proof of insurance(s) for all vehicles used by Respondent.
4 The NTC contained an advisement to Respondent that failure to correct the violations may result
5 in disciplinary action against Respondent's cannabis retailer license. As of the filing date,
6 Respondent has not responded to the NTC nor provided the requested records.

7 24. On July 1, 2025, Department staff reviewed Respondent's CCTT records and
8 discovered, from January 1, 2024, to July 1, 2025, Respondent adjusted 7,743 packages to
9 negative quantities which resulted in 304,654 units of cannabis goods designated as cannabis
10 waste (i.e. unusable product). Department staff found that most of the wasted cannabis goods
11 consisted of cannabis products that were manufactured by another licensee and passed regulatory
12 compliance testing.

13 **FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

14 (Licensed Premises Access)

15 25. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions
16 (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, sections
17 15000.3, subdivision (d), and 17800, requiring a licensee to provide Department representatives
18 with immediate access to its licensed premises, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21
19 through 24 above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth
20 herein.

21 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

22 (Changes to Contact Information)

23 26. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030,
24 subdivisions (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of
25 Regulations, sections 15020, subdivision (d)(5) and 15023, subdivision (e)(1), requiring a
26 licensee to notify the Department of a change in contact information provided in the original
27 license application, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24 above, which are
28 hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

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THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Track and Trace Requirements)

27. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 15047.2 and 15049.2, requiring that all commercial cannabis activity be accurately recorded in the CCTT system, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24 above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Record Retention Requirements)

28. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 26160, 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15037, in that it failed to provide copies of requested records to the Department, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24, above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Notice to Comply Requirements)

29. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17801, subdivision (e), in that Respondent failed to correct the deficiencies noted in the Notice to Comply, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 and 24, above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that the following the hearing, the Director of the Department issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending outright or suspending with terms and conditions or fining or any combination thereof, the Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License Number DCC-10004132, issued to Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta II, DRP;

1 2. Ordering Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta II, DRP, to pay the Department
2 of Cannabis Control the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case,
3 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.1;

4 3. Ordering the destruction of cannabis and cannabis goods in the possession of
5 Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta, DRP II, at Respondent's expense, if revocation of
6 Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License Number DCC-10004132 is ordered, pursuant to
7 California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15024.1, subdivision (a); and

8 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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DATED: January 27, 2026



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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

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GENUINE NO. 9'S, MEDIPRANA +,
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**Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 No. DCC-
10004132**

Respondent.

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

**DEFAULT DECISION INVESTIGATORY
EVIDENCE PACKET**

[Gov. Code §11520]

The Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in support of the Default Decision and Order in the above-entitled matter consists of the following.

Exhibit 1: Pleadings offered for jurisdictional purposes: Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7), proofs of service;

Exhibit 2: License History Certification for Meriprana LLC dba “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana +” and “Genuine No. 9’s, MediPrana LLC” Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 No. DCC-10004132;

Exhibit 3: Certification of Costs by Department for Investigation in Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC dated March 2, 2026;

Exhibit 4: Certification of Costs by Department for Enforcement in Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC dated March 2, 2026; and

Exhibit 5: Investigative Report (without attachments) [DCC25-0000868-LIC].

Dated: March 2, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit 1

Accusation No. DCC25-0000868-LIC
Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense (two blank copies), Request
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11507.6 and 11507.7), Proofs of Service

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17 Respondent.

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STATEMENT TO RESPONDENT

[Gov. Code §§ 11504, 11505(b)]

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20 TO RESPONDENT:

21 Enclosed is a copy of the Accusation that has been filed with the Department of Cannabis
22 Control (Department), and which is hereby served on you.

23 Unless a written request for a hearing signed by you or on your behalf is delivered or
24 mailed to the Department, represented by Deputy Attorney General Matthew S. Beasley, within
25 fifteen (15) days after a copy of the Accusation was personally served on you or mailed to you,
26 you will be deemed to have waived your right to a hearing in this matter and the Department may
27 proceed upon the Accusation without a hearing and may take action thereon as provided by law.

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1 The request for hearing may be made by delivering or mailing one of the enclosed forms
2 entitled "Notice of Defense," or by delivering or mailing a Notice of Defense as provided in
3 section 11506 of the Government Code, to

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5 **Matthew S. Beasley**
6 **Deputy Attorney General**
7 **300 South Spring Street, Suite 1702**
8 **Los Angeles, CA 90013**
9 **Email: Matthew.Beasley@doj.ca.gov**

10 You may, but need not, be represented by counsel at any or all stages of these proceedings.

11 The enclosed Notice of Defense, if signed and filed with the Department, shall be deemed a
12 specific denial of all parts of the Accusation, but you will not be permitted to raise any objection
13 to the form of the Accusation unless you file a further Notice of Defense as provided in section
14 11506 of the Government Code within fifteen (15) days after service of the Accusation on you.

15 If you file any Notice of Defense within the time permitted, a hearing will be held on the
16 charges made in the Accusation.

17 The hearing may be postponed for good cause. If you have good cause, you are obliged to
18 notify the Office of Administrative Hearings, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 630, Los Angeles,
19 CA 90013, within ten (10) working days after you discover the good cause. Failure to notify the
20 Office of Administrative Hearings within ten (10) days will deprive you of a postponement.

21 Copies of sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7 of the Government Code are enclosed.

22 If you desire the names and addresses of witnesses or an opportunity to inspect and copy
23 the items mentioned in section 11507.6 of the Government Code in the possession, custody or
24 control of the Department you may send a Request for Discovery to the above designated Deputy
25 Attorney General.

26 **NOTICE REGARDING STIPULATED SETTLEMENTS**

27 It may be possible to avoid the time, expense and uncertainties involved in an
28 administrative hearing by disposing of this matter through a stipulated settlement. A stipulated
settlement is a binding written agreement between you and the government regarding the matters

1 charged and the discipline to be imposed. Such a stipulation would have to be approved by the
2 Department of Cannabis Control but, once approved, it would be incorporated into a final order.

3 Any stipulation must be consistent with the Department's established disciplinary
4 guidelines; however, all matters in mitigation or aggravation will be considered. A copy of the
5 Department's Disciplinary Guidelines will be provided to you on your written request to the state
6 agency bringing this action.

7 If you are interested in pursuing this alternative to a formal administrative hearing, or if you
8 have any questions, you or your attorney should contact Deputy Attorney General Matthew S.
9 Beasley at the earliest opportunity.

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Dated: January 28, 2026

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ACCUSATION

Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License
No. DCC-10004132

Respondent.

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21 **PARTIES**

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23 1. Evelyn Schaeffer (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity
24 as the Deputy Director of the Compliance Division of the Department of Cannabis Control
25 (Department).

26 2. On or about March 24, 2020, the Department issued Provisional Cannabis
27 Manufacturer - Type 6 License No. DCC-10004132 to Meriprana LLC doing business as
28 "Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana +" and "Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC" (Respondent), with

1 Andres Batta II as Designated Responsible Party (DRP Batta). The Provisional Cannabis
2 Manufacturer – Type 6 License was transitioned to an annual license on June 18, 2024. The
3 Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the
4 charges brought herein and will expire on March 24, 2026, unless renewed.

5 **JURISDICTION**

6 3. This Accusation is brought before the Director of the Department (Director), under
7 the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions
8 Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

9 4. Section 26010 of the Code states:

10 There is in the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, the
11 Department of Cannabis Control under the supervision and control of a director. The
12 director shall administer and enforce the provisions of this division related to the
13 department.

14 5. Section 26010.5, subdivision (d), of the Code states:

15 The department has the power, duty, purpose, responsibility, and jurisdiction to
16 regulate commercial cannabis activity as provided in this division.

17 6. Section 26012, subdivision (a), of the Code states:

18 It being a matter of statewide concern, except as otherwise authorized in this
19 division, the department shall have the sole authority to create, issue, deny, renew,
20 discipline, condition, suspend, or revoke licenses for commercial cannabis activity.

21 7. Section 26013, subdivision (a), of the Code states:

22 The department shall make and prescribe reasonable rules and regulations as
23 may be necessary to implement, administer, and enforce its duties under this division
24 in accordance with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of
25 Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Those rules and regulations shall be
26 consistent with the purposes and intent of the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of
27 Marijuana Act.

28 8. Section 26031 of the Code states:

(a) The department may suspend, revoke, place on probation with terms and
conditions, or otherwise discipline licenses issued by the department and fine a
licensee, after proper notice and hearing to the licensee, except as provided in Section
26031.01, if the licensee is found to have committed any of the acts or omissions
constituting grounds for disciplinary action. The disciplinary proceedings under this
chapter shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section
11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and the director

1 shall have all the powers granted therein.

2 (b) The department may suspend or revoke a license when a local agency has
3 notified the department that a licensee within its jurisdiction is in violation of state
4 rules and regulations relating to commercial cannabis activities, and the department,
through an investigation, has determined that the violation is grounds for suspension
or revocation of the license.

5 (c) The department may take disciplinary action against a licensee for any
6 violation of this division when the violation was committed by the licensee's officers,
7 directors, owners, agents, or employees while acting on behalf of the licensee or
engaged in commercial cannabis activity.

8 (d) The suspension or expiration of a license issued by the department, or its
9 suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the department or by order of a
10 court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the department, shall not,
11 during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated,
deprive the department of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary
proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order
suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the
licensee on any such ground.

12 9. Section 26034 of the Code states:

13 All accusations against licensees shall be filed by the department within five
14 years after the performance of the act or omission alleged as the ground for
15 disciplinary action; provided, however, that the foregoing provision shall not
16 constitute a defense to an accusation alleging fraud or misrepresentation as a ground
17 for disciplinary action. The cause for disciplinary action in that case shall not be
deemed to have accrued until discovery, by the department, of the facts constituting
the fraud or misrepresentation, and, in that case, the accusation shall be filed within
five years after that discovery.

18 **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

19 10. Section 26030 of the Code, in part, states:

20 Grounds for disciplinary action include, but are not limited to, all of the
21 following:

22 (a) Failure to comply with the provisions of this division or any rule or
regulation adopted pursuant to this division.

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24 (c) Any other grounds contained in regulations adopted by the department
25 pursuant to this division....

26 11. Section 26160 of the Code states:

27 (a) A licensee shall keep accurate records of commercial cannabis activity.

28 (b) All records related to commercial cannabis activity as defined by the

1 department shall be maintained for a minimum of seven years.

2 (c) The department may examine the records of a licensee and inspect the
3 premises of a licensee as the department, or a state or local agency, deems necessary
4 to perform its duties under this division. All inspections and examinations of records
5 shall be conducted during standard business hours of the licensed facility or at any
6 other reasonable time. Licensees shall provide and deliver records to the department
7 upon request.

8 (d) Licensees shall keep records identified by the department on the premises of
9 the location licensed. The department may make any examination of the records of
10 any licensee. Licensees shall also provide and deliver copies of documents to the
11 department upon request.

12 (e) A licensee, or its agent or employee, that refuses, impedes, obstructs, or
13 interferes with an inspection of the premises or records of the licensee pursuant to this
14 section, has engaged in a violation of this division.

15 (f) If a licensee, or an agent or employee of a licensee, fails to maintain or
16 provide the records required pursuant to this section, the licensee shall be subject to a
17 citation and fine of up to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) per individual violation.

18 **REGULATORY PROVISIONS**

19 12. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15000.3, subdivision (d), states:

20 (d) Licensees shall ensure that the Department has immediate access to their
21 licensed premises. If the Department is denied access to a licensee's premises for any
22 reason, the licensee shall be held responsible and subject to discipline. If the
23 Department is denied access to one licensee's premises because of another licensee's
24 refusal to grant access when the only access to one licensed premises is through
25 another licensed premises, all licensees shall be held responsible and subject to
26 discipline.

27 13. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15020, subdivision (d)(5),
28 states:

(d) The license renewal form shall contain the following:

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(5) Documentation of any change to any item listed in the original application
under section 15002 that has not been reported to the Department through another
process pursuant to the Act or this division....

14. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15023, subdivision (e)(1),
states:

(e) When any of the following changes occur, the licensee shall notify the
Department within 14 calendar days of the change:

(1) Any change to contact information from the information provided to the
Department in the original application....

1 15. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15037, states in pertinent part:

2 (a) Licensees must keep and maintain records in connection with the licensed
3 commercial cannabis business. Records must be kept for at least seven years from the
4 date of creation, unless a shorter time is specified. Records include, but are not
5 limited to:

6 (1) Financial records including, but not limited to, bank statements, sales
7 invoices, receipts, tax records, and all records required by the California Department
8 of Tax and Fee Administration (formerly Board of Equalization) under title 18,
9 California Code of Regulations, sections 1698 and 4901.

10 (2) Personnel records, including each employee's full name, Social Security
11 number or individual taxpayer identification number, date employment begins, and
12 date of termination of employment, if applicable.

13 ...

14 (6) All other documents prepared or executed by an owner or their employees
15 or assignees in connection with the licensed commercial cannabis business.

16 (7) Records required by the Act or this division.

17 (b) Records must be kept in a manner that allows the records to be produced for
18 the Department in either hard-copy or electronic form....

19 16. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15047.2, in part, states:

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21 (b) All commercial cannabis activity shall be accurately recorded in the track
22 and trace system.

23 (c) A licensee is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of all data and
24 information entered into the track and trace system. The licensee is responsible for all
25 actions taken by the designated account manager or other account users while
26 performing track and trace activities.

27 (d) A person shall not intentionally misrepresent or falsify information entered
28 into the track and trace system.

17. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15049.2, in part, states:

(a) A licensee shall prepare a shipping manifest through the track and trace
system prior to transferring cannabis and cannabis products off of a licensed
premises. The following information shall be recorded on the shipping manifest by
the licensee initiating the transfer:

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(c) Upon pick-up or receipt of cannabis and cannabis products for transport,
storage, or inventory, a licensee shall ensure that the cannabis or cannabis products

1 received are as described in the shipping manifest. The licensee shall record
2 acceptance or receipt, and acknowledgment of the cannabis or cannabis products in
the track and trace system.

3 (d) If there are any discrepancies between type or quantity of cannabis or
4 cannabis products specified in the shipping manifest and the type or quantity received
by the licensee, the licensee shall reject the shipment.

5 18. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17800, states:

6 (a) The Department and its authorized representatives, for purposes of
7 inspection, investigation, review, or audit, shall have full and immediate access to:

8 (1) Enter any premises licensed by the Department.

9 (2) Inspect and test any vehicle or equipment possessed by, in control of, or
used by a licensee or their agents and employees for the purpose of conducting
10 commercial cannabis activity.

11 (3) Test any cannabis goods or cannabis-related materials or products possessed
by, in control of, or used by a licensee or their agents and employees for the purpose
12 of conducting commercial cannabis activity.

13 (4) Copy any materials, books, or records of any licensee or their agents and
employees.

14 (b) Failure to cooperate with and participate in any Department investigation
15 pending against the licensee may result in a licensing violation subject to discipline.
This subsection shall not be construed to deprive a licensee of any privilege
16 guaranteed by the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or any
other constitutional or statutory privileges. This subsection shall not be construed to
17 require a licensee to cooperate with a request that would require the licensee to waive
any constitutional or statutory privilege or to comply with a request for information or
18 other matters within an unreasonable period of time in light of the time constraints of
the licensee's business. Any constitutional or statutory privilege exercised by the
19 licensee shall not be used against the licensee in a regulatory or disciplinary
proceeding against the licensee.

20 (c) Prior notice of an inspection, investigation, review, or audit is not required.

21 (d) Any inspection, investigation, review, or audit of a licensed premises shall
22 be conducted anytime the licensee is exercising privileges under the license, or as
otherwise agreed to by the Department and the licensee or its agents, employees, or
representatives.

23 (e) If the licensed premises is not accessible because access is only available by
24 going through another licensed premises and the licensee occupying the other
licensed premises denies the Department access, the licensees shall both be held
25 responsible and subject to discipline.

26 19. Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17801, states:

27 (a) The Department may issue a Notice to Comply to a licensee for violation(s)
28 of the Act or this division discovered during an investigation or audit or observed
during an inspection.

1 (b) The Notice to Comply shall be in writing and describe the nature and facts
2 of each violation, including a reference to the statute or regulation violated, and may
3 indicate the manner in which the licensee must correct the violation(s) to achieve
4 compliance.

5 (c) The Department may serve the Notice to Comply personally, by email, or by
6 mail to the licensee or an employee, agent, or person delegated by the licensee to
7 accept notice.

8 (d) The licensee shall sign and return the Notice to Comply and describe how
9 compliance was achieved within 30 calendar days after the date of personal service or
10 the date of emailing or mailing of the notice or a different date specified by the
11 Department. The Department may also require the licensee to provide a plan for
12 review and approval by the Department on a case-by-case basis.

13 (e) Failure to correct the violation(s) in the Notice to Comply may result in
14 disciplinary action.

15 **COST RECOVERY**

16 20. Section 26031.1 of the Code states:

17 (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, in an order issued in resolution of a
18 disciplinary proceeding before the department, the administrative law judge, upon
19 request, may direct a licensee found to have committed a violation to pay a sum not to
20 exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

21 (b) A certified copy of the actual costs, or a good faith estimate of costs where
22 actual costs are not available, signed by the department or its designated
23 representative shall be prima facie evidence of reasonable costs of investigation and
24 prosecution of the case. The costs shall include the amount of investigative and
25 enforcement costs up to the date of the hearing, including, but not limited to, charges
26 imposed by the Attorney General.

27 (c) The administrative law judge shall make a proposed finding of the amount
28 of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case when requested
pursuant to subdivision (a). The finding of the administrative law judge with regard to
costs shall not be reviewable by the department to increase the cost award. The
department may reduce or eliminate the cost award, or remand to the administrative
law judge if the proposed decision fails to make a finding on costs requested pursuant
to subdivision (a).

(d) If an order for recovery of costs is made and timely payment is not made as
directed in the department's decision, the department may enforce the order for
repayment in any appropriate court. This right of enforcement shall be in addition to
any other rights the department may have as to any licensee to pay costs.

(e) In any action for recovery of costs, proof of the department's decision shall
be conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms for payment.

(f)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the department shall not renew or
reinstate the license of any licensee who has failed to pay all of the costs ordered
under this section.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the department may, in its discretion,

1 conditionally renew or reinstate for a maximum of one year the license of any
2 licensee who demonstrates financial hardship and who enters into a formal agreement
3 with the department to reimburse the department within that one-year period for the
4 unpaid costs.

5 (g) All costs recovered under this section shall be considered a reimbursement
6 for costs incurred and shall be deposited into the Cannabis Control Fund to be
7 available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

8 (h) Nothing in this section shall preclude the department from including the
9 recovery of the costs of investigation and enforcement of a case in any stipulated
10 settlement.

11 FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

12 21. On April 16, 2025, Department staff attempted to conduct a regulatory compliance
13 inspection of Respondent's licensed premises. Respondent's licensed premises is located in a
14 shared commercial building that requires visitors to request entry from a building tenant via
15 intercom. There was no listing for Respondent in the building's intercom directory thus
16 preventing Department staff's entry. Department staff called four different contacts at the phone
17 numbers listed in the Department's records, including DRP Batta¹, but all four phone numbers
18 were either disconnected or belonged to an unknown party. Department staff also left a voicemail
19 on Respondent's business phone line but did not receive a return call.

20 22. While onsite, Department staff reviewed Respondent's California Cannabis Track and
21 Trace (CCTT) account activity and noted that there were 113 active packages of cannabis or
22 cannabis products that should have been physically present in the licensed premises, including
23 approximately 207 pounds of untested cannabis flower, 290 pounds of untested cannabis plants,
24 and 690 cannabis vape cartridges. Prior to their departure, Department staff served a Notice to
25 Comply (NTC) to Respondent's e-mail addresses of record, but the e-mail was returned as
26 undeliverable due to invalid email addresses.

27 23. The NTC demanded immediate access to Respondent's licensed premises, video
28 surveillance footage of all exterior and interior cameras of Respondent's licensed premises from
April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, records of all outbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to

¹ Owners, as defined by Business and Professions Code section 26001, subdivision (ap), associated with Respondent are Andres Batta II, and Daniel Mackey.

1 April 16, 2025, all inbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, employee
2 records for all individuals employed by Respondent from October 1, 2024, to April 16, 2025, and
3 all transport vehicle registration(s) and proof of insurance(s) for all vehicles used by Respondent.
4 The NTC contained an advisement to Respondent that failure to correct the violations may result
5 in disciplinary action against Respondent's cannabis retailer license. As of the filing date,
6 Respondent has not responded to the NTC nor provided the requested records.

7 24. On July 1, 2025, Department staff reviewed Respondent's CCTT records and
8 discovered, from January 1, 2024, to July 1, 2025, Respondent adjusted 7,743 packages to
9 negative quantities which resulted in 304,654 units of cannabis goods designated as cannabis
10 waste (i.e. unusable product). Department staff found that most of the wasted cannabis goods
11 consisted of cannabis products that were manufactured by another licensee and passed regulatory
12 compliance testing.

13 **FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

14 (Licensed Premises Access)

15 25. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions
16 (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, sections
17 15000.3, subdivision (d), and 17800, requiring a licensee to provide Department representatives
18 with immediate access to its licensed premises, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21
19 through 24 above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth
20 herein.

21 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

22 (Changes to Contact Information)

23 26. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030,
24 subdivisions (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of
25 Regulations, sections 15020, subdivision (d)(5) and 15023, subdivision (e)(1), requiring a
26 licensee to notify the Department of a change in contact information provided in the original
27 license application, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24 above, which are
28 hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

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THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Track and Trace Requirements)

27. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), in that it failed to comply with Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 15047.2 and 15049.2, requiring that all commercial cannabis activity be accurately recorded in the CCTT system, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24 above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Record Retention Requirements)

28. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 26160, 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15037, in that it failed to provide copies of requested records to the Department, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 through 24, above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Notice to Comply Requirements)

29. Respondent is further subject to disciplinary action under Code section 26030, subdivisions (a) and (c), and Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations, section 17801, subdivision (e), in that Respondent failed to correct the deficiencies noted in the Notice to Comply, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 21 and 24, above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that the following the hearing, the Director of the Department issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending outright or suspending with terms and conditions or fining or any combination thereof, the Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License Number DCC-10004132, issued to Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta II, DRP;

1 2. Ordering Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta II, DRP, to pay the Department
2 of Cannabis Control the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case,
3 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.1;

4 3. Ordering the destruction of cannabis and cannabis goods in the possession of
5 Respondent Meriprana LLC, Andres Batta, DRP II, at Respondent's expense, if revocation of
6 Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License Number DCC-10004132 is ordered, pursuant to
7 California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 15024.1, subdivision (a); and

8 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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DATED: January 27, 2026



EVELYN SCHAEFFER
Deputy Director of the Compliance
Division
Department of Cannabis Control
State of California
Complainant

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**MERIPRANA LLC DBA
GENUINE NO. 9'S, MEDIPRANA +,
GENUINE NO. 9's, MEDIPRANA LLC;
ANDRES BATA II, DESIGNATED
RESPONSIBLE PARTY
2338 E Anaheim St., Suite 103
Long Beach, CA 90804**

**Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License
No. DCC-10004132**

Respondent.

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

NOTICE OF DEFENSE

(Gov. Code §§ 11505 and 11506)

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Accusation in the above-entitled proceeding, as well as the Statement to Respondent, Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6 and 11507.7, Complainant's Request for Discovery, and two copies of a Notice of Defense.

I further acknowledge that by filing this Notice of Defense, the Respondent is entitled to a hearing on the merits of the Accusation, and that under Government Code section 11506, the Respondent has a right to file a further Notice of Defense within the time specified in that section.

This Notice of Defense is filed on my own behalf as the Respondent or in my capacity as an authorized representative of an entity named as the Respondent in the Accusation.

Date:

Print Your Name:

Your Signature:

Respondent's Mailing Address:

Phone:

E-mail

Check one box:

I am represented by counsel, whose name, address and telephone number appear below:

Counsel's Name

Counsel's Mailing Address

Phone:

E-mail:

- I am not now represented by counsel. If and when counsel is retained, immediate notification of the attorney's name, address and telephone number will be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings and a copy sent to the Deputy Attorney General who represents Complainant so that Respondent's counsel will be on record to receive legal notices, pleadings and other papers.

Check box if applicable:

- I wish to avoid a hearing if possible and be considered for a stipulated settlement or stipulated surrender of license.

The agency taking the action described in the Accusation may have formulated disciplinary guidelines. You may obtain a copy of the guidelines by requesting them in writing from the agency. A link to the agency's website can be found on-line at <https://cannabis.ca.gov> at https://www.dca.ca.gov/about_us/entities.shtml.

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16 **RESPONSIBLE PARTY**
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19 **Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License**
20 **No. DCC-10004132**

21 Respondent.

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY

22 TO RESPONDENT:

23 Under section 11507.6 of the Government Code of the State of California, parties to an
24 administrative hearing, including the Complainant, are entitled to certain information concerning
25 the opposing party's case. A copy of the provisions of section 11507.6 of the Government Code
26 concerning such rights is included among the papers served.

27 PURSUANT TO SECTION 11507.6 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, YOU ARE
28 HEREBY REQUESTED TO:

1. Provide the names and addresses of witnesses to the extent known to the Respondent,
including, but not limited to, those intended to be called to testify at the hearing, and

1 2. Provide an opportunity for the Complainant to inspect and make a copy of any of the
2 following in the possession or custody or under control of the Respondent:

3 a. A statement of a person, other than the Respondent, named in the
4 initial administrative pleading, or in any additional pleading, when it is claimed that
5 the act or omission of the Respondent as to this person is the basis for the
6 administrative proceeding;

7 b. A statement pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding made
8 by any party to another party or persons;

9 c. Statements of witnesses then proposed to be called by the
10 Respondent and of other persons having personal knowledge of the acts, omissions or
11 events which are the basis for the proceeding, not included in (a) or (b) above;

12 d. All writings, including but not limited to reports of mental, physical
13 and blood examinations and things which the Respondent now proposes to offer in
14 evidence;

15 e. Any other writing or thing which is relevant and which would be
16 admissible in evidence, including but not limited to, any patient or hospital records
17 pertaining to the persons named in the pleading;

18 f. Investigative reports made by or on behalf of the Respondent
19 pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding, to the extent that these reports (1)
20 contain the names and addresses of witnesses or of persons having personal
21 knowledge of the acts, omissions or events which are the basis for the proceeding, or
22 (2) reflect matters perceived by the investigator in the course of his or her
23 investigation, or (3) contain or include by attachment any statement or writing
24 described in (a) to (e), inclusive, or summary thereof.

25 IN ADDITION, if cost recovery is requested in the pleading prayer, provide all writings
26 which will support any objection which may be made by the Respondent, to Respondent's
27 payment of investigation and enforcement costs to the Board.

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1 For the purpose of this Request for Discovery, "statements" include written statements by
2 the person, signed, or otherwise authenticated by him or her, stenographic, mechanical, electrical
3 or other recordings, or transcripts thereof, of oral statements by the person, and written reports or
4 summaries of these oral statements.

5 YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED that nothing in this Request for Discovery
6 should be deemed to authorize the inspection or copying of any writing or thing which is
7 privileged from disclosure by law or otherwise made confidential or protected as attorney's work
8 product.

9 Your response to this Request for Discovery should be directed to the undersigned attorney
10 for the Complainant at the address on the first page of this Request for Discovery within 30 days
11 after service of the Accusation.

12 Failure without substantial justification to comply with this Request for Discovery may
13 subject the Respondent to sanctions pursuant to sections 11507.7 and 11455.10 to 11455.30 of the
14 Government Code.

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16 Dated: January 28, 2026

ROB BONTA
Attorney General of California
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Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Matthew S. Beasley

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**COPY OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 11507.5, 11507.6 AND 11507.7
PROVIDED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 11504 AND 11505**

SECTION 11507.5: Exclusivity of discovery provisions

The provisions of Section 11507.6 provide the exclusive right to and method of discovery as to any proceeding governed by this chapter.

SECTION 11507.6: Request for discovery

After initiation of a proceeding in which a respondent or other party is entitled to a hearing on the merits, a party, upon written request made to another party, prior to the hearing and within 30 days after service by the agency of the initial pleading or within 15 days after the service of an additional pleading, is entitled to (1) obtain the names and addresses of witnesses to the extent known to the other party, including, but not limited to, those intended to be called to testify at the hearing, and (2) inspect and make a copy of any of the following in the possession or custody or under the control of the other party:

(a) A statement of a person, other than the respondent, named in the initial administrative pleading, or in any additional pleading, when it is claimed that the act or omission of the respondent as to this person is the basis for the administrative proceeding;

(b) A statement pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding made by any party to another party or person;

(c) Statements of witnesses then proposed to be called by the party and of other persons having personal knowledge of the acts, omissions or events which are the basis for the proceeding, not included in (a) or (b) above;

(d) All writings, including, but not limited to, reports of mental, physical and blood examinations and things which the party then proposes to offer in evidence;

(e) Any other writing or thing which is relevant and which would be admissible in evidence;

(f) Investigative reports made by or on behalf of the agency or other party pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding, to the extent that these reports (1) contain the names and addresses of witnesses or of persons having personal knowledge of the acts, omissions or events which are the basis for the proceeding, or (2) reflect matters perceived by the investigator in the course of his or her investigation, or (3) contain or include by attachment any statement or writing described in (a) to (e), inclusive, or summary thereof.

For the purpose of this section, "statements" include written statements by the person signed or otherwise authenticated by him or her, stenographic, mechanical, electrical or other recordings, or transcripts thereof, of oral statements by the person, and written reports or summaries of these oral statements.

Nothing in this section shall authorize the inspection or copying of any writing or thing which is privileged from disclosure by law or otherwise made confidential or protected as the attorney's work product.

SECTION 11507.7: Petition to compel discovery; Order; Sanctions

(a) Any party claiming the party's request for discovery pursuant to Section 11507.6 has not been complied with may serve and file with the administrative law judge a motion to compel discovery, naming as respondent the party refusing or failing to comply with Section 11507.6. The motion shall state facts showing the respondent party failed or refused to comply with Section 11507.6, a description of the matters sought to be discovered, the reason or reasons why the matter is discoverable under that section, that a reasonable and good faith attempt to contact the respondent for an informal resolution of the issue has been made, and the ground or grounds of respondent's refusal so far as known to the moving party.

(b) The motion shall be served upon respondent party and filed within 15 days after the respondent party first evidenced failure or refusal to comply with Section 11507.6 or within 30 days after request was made and the party has failed to reply to the request, or within another time provided by stipulation, whichever period is longer.

(c) The hearing on the motion to compel discovery shall be held within 15 days after the motion is made, or a later time that the administrative law judge may on the judge's own motion for good cause determine. The respondent party shall have the right to serve and file a written answer or other response to the motion before or at the time of the hearing.

(d) Where the matter sought to be discovered is under the custody or control of the respondent party and the respondent party asserts that the matter is not a discoverable matter under the provisions of Section 11507.6, or is privileged against disclosure under those provisions, the administrative law judge may order lodged with it matters provided in subdivision (b) of Section 915 of the Evidence Code and examine the matters in accordance with its provisions.

(e) The administrative law judge shall decide the case on the matters examined in camera, the papers filed by the parties, and such oral argument and additional evidence as the administrative law judge may allow.

(f) Unless otherwise stipulated by the parties, the administrative law judge shall no later than 15 days after the hearing make its order denying or granting the motion. The order shall be in writing setting forth the matters the moving party is entitled to discover under Section 11507.6. A copy of the order shall forthwith be served by mail by the administrative law judge upon the parties. Where the order grants the motion in whole or in part, the order shall not become effective until 10 days after the date the order is served. Where the order denies relief to the moving party, the order shall be effective on the date it is served.

DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

(Separate Mailings)

Case Name: **In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Meriprana LLC**

Case No.: **DCC25-0000868-LIC**

I declare:

I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the California State Bar at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this matter. I am familiar with the business practice at the Office of the Attorney General for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. In accordance with that practice, correspondence placed in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General is deposited with the United States Postal Service with postage thereon fully prepaid that same day in the ordinary course of business.

On **January 28, 2026**, I served the attached **STATEMENT TO RESPONDENT; ACCUSATION; NOTICE OF DEFENSE (2 COPIES); REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY; GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 11507.5, 11507.6 AND 11507.7** by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope as certified mail with return receipt requested, and another true copy of the **STATEMENT TO RESPONDENT; ACCUSATION; NOTICE OF DEFENSE (2 COPIES); REQUEST FOR DISCOVERY; GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 11507.5, 11507.6 AND 11507.7** was enclosed in a second sealed envelope as first class mail in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General at 300 South Spring Street, Suite 1702, Los Angeles, CA 90013-1230, addressed as follows:

Meriprana LLC
2338 E Anaheim St, Suite 103
Long Beach, CA 90804
Respondent

Certified Article Number

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SENDER'S RECORD

Meriprana LLC
c/o Andres Batta II, DRP
2338 E Anaheim St, Suite 102
Long Beach, CA 90804
Respondent

Certified Article Number

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SENDER'S RECORD

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c/o Michael Smith, agent for SOP
8001 Somerset Blvd., #81
Paramount, CA 90723
Respondent

Certified Article Number

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SENDER'S RECORD

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California and the United States of America the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on **January 28, 2026**, at Los Angeles, California.

Michelle Sandoval

Declarant

Michelle Sandoval

Signature

Exhibit 2

License History Certification for Respondent



CANNABIS MANUFACTURER LICENSE

Adult Use and Medicinal

Business Name:

MeriPrana LLC
Genuine No.9's, MediPrana LLC

License Number: DCC-10004132

License Type: Annual AM-Type 6: Non Volatile Solvent Extraction

Premises Address:

2338 E ANAHEIM ST
LONG BEACH, CA 90804

Valid: 3/24/2020

Expires: 3/24/2026

The license authorizes MeriPrana LLC to engage in commercial cannabis AM-Type 6: Non Volatile Solvent Extraction at the premises address listed above until the expiration date of this license. This license issued is pursuant to Division 10 of the California Business and Professional Code and is not transferable to any other person or premises location. This license shall always be displayed in a prominent place at the licensed premises. This license shall be subject to suspension or revocation if the licensee is determined to be in violation of Division 10 of the Business and Professions Code or regulations adopted thereunder.

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Post in Public View

Exhibit 3

Certification of Investigation Costs

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GENUINE NO. 9's, MEDIPRANA LLC;
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Long Beach, CA 90804**

**DECLARATION OF TRAVIS WHITE
REGARDING INVESTIGATIVE
ACTIVITY**

**Cannabis Manufacturer - Type 6 License
No. DCC-10004132**

Respondent.

I, Travis White, declare and certify as follows:

1. I am employed as a Supervising Special Investigator (SSI) I within the Investigative Services Branch (ISB) of the Compliance Division of the Department of Cannabis Control (Department).

2. I have been designated as the Department representative to certify the costs of investigation in this case pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.1. I make this certification in my official capacity as an SSI I and as a public employee pursuant to Evidence Code section 664.

3. The following list of SSI I and Special Investigators (SI) were assigned to the investigation of this case, which was initially opened by the Department's ISB on or about April 16, 2025: Jorge Avila, Lead SI, Traci Lucchesi, SI, and Travis White, SSI I.

4. In my official capacity as an SSI I, I review the costs incurred by the Department's ISB in the enforcement of the laws and regulations under its jurisdiction and certify that these costs were incurred by the Department. I am familiar with the time reporting system of the

1 Department's Compliance Division for the reasonable and necessary investigative work
2 performed on a particular case. It is the duty of SSIs to keep track of the time spent and to report
3 that time in the Department's case management system at or near the time of the tasks performed.

4 5. The investigative activity summary entitled MeriPrana Manufacturing Facility
5 Certification of Cost Recovery was obtained from the Department's case management system and
6 includes the details of tasks performed by SSIs and/or SIs as maintained in the Department's case
7 management system. The costs related to investigative activity include field time, research and
8 report writing, meetings, and use of state vehicles. I hereby certify that the MeriPrana
9 Manufacturing Facility Certification of Cost Recovery, attached hereto and herein incorporated
10 by reference is a true and correct copy of the investigative activity for this case. The investigative
11 activity summary encompasses the total hours spent by the Department's Compliance Division
12 through February 27, 2026. The investigative activity summary does not include tasks performed
13 after this date.

14 6. I certify pursuant to the provisions of Business and Professions Code section
15 26031.1 that to the best of my knowledge the costs of investigative services set forth in this
16 declaration are correct and were necessarily incurred in this case. The total hours of investigative
17 activity and rates applicable to the above-entitled case are as follows:

18 a) Special Investigator Field Time:

19 Rate per hour: \$101.00 multiplied by 22 hours = \$2,222.00

20 b) Special Investigator Research and Report Writing:

21 Rate per hour: \$101.00 multiplied by 43.5 hours = \$4393.50

22 c) Special Investigator Meetings:

23 Rate per hour: \$101.00 multiplied by 7 hours = \$707.00

24 d) Use of State Vehicles:

25 4 state vehicles at \$0.625 multiplied by 490 miles = \$306.25

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed in Sacramento County on March 2, 2026.

White,
Travis@Cannabis

Digitally signed by White,
Travis@Cannabis
Date: 2026.03.02 08:31:51
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Travis White
Declarant

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1	Last Name	First Name	Hourly Rate	Field Time	Research and Report	Meetings	Total Hours	Total Expense
2	SSI White	Travis	\$101.00	0	10	3.5	13.5	\$1,363.50
3	SI Avila	Jorge	\$101.00	11	33.5	3.5	48	\$4,848.00
4	SI Lucchesi	Traci	\$101.00	11		0	11	\$1,111.00
5	Total Personnel Services							\$7,322.50
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7	Total Personnel Services and Operating Expense							\$7,628.75
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10	Operating Expense	Count	Miles	@.625 per mile				
11	State Vehicles	1	490	\$306.25				
12	State Vehicles			\$0.00				
13	State Vehicles			\$0.00				
14	Total Operating Expense			\$306.25				

Exhibit 4

Certification of Enforcement Costs

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9 **DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL**
10 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC

12 **MERIPRANA LLC, ANDRES BATTA,**
13 **DESIGNATED RESPONSIBLE PARTY**

CERTIFICATION OF
PROSECUTION COSTS:
DECLARATION OF MATTHEW S.
BEASLEY

Business and Professions Code section
26031.1]

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15 One.

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17 I, MATTHEW S. BEASLEY, hereby declare and certify as follows:

18 1. I am a Deputy Attorney General employed by the California Department of Justice
19 (DOJ), Office of the Attorney General (Office). I am assigned to the Cannabis Control Section in
20 the Civil Division of the Office. I have been designated as the representative to certify the costs
21 of prosecution by DOJ and incurred by the Department of Cannabis Control in this case. I make
22 this certification in my official capacity and as an officer of the court and as a public employee
23 pursuant to Evidence Code section 664.

24 2. I represent the Complainant, Evelyn Schaeffer, Deputy Director of the Compliance
25 Division of the Department of Cannabis Control, in this action. I was assigned to handle this case
26 on or about November 11, 2025.

27 3. Our Office's computerized case management system reflects that the following
28 persons have also performed tasks related to this matter: Gregory Cribbs, Supervising Deputy

1 Attorney General; Helen Koh, Senior Legal Analyst; Matthew S. Beasley, Deputy Attorney
2 General; Harinder Kapur, Senior Assistant Attorney General.

3 4. I am familiar with the time recording and billing practices of DOJ and the procedure
4 for charging the client agency for the reasonable and necessary work performed on a particular
5 case. It is the duty of the time keeping employees to keep track of the time spent and to report
6 that time in DOJ's computerized case management system at or near the time of the tasks
7 performed.

8 5. On March 2, 2026, I requested a billing summary for this case from the Accounting
9 Department of the DOJ. In response, on March 2, 2026, I received a document entitled "Matter
10 Time Activity by Professional Type." I hereby certify that the Matter Time Activity by
11 Professional Type, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and herein incorporated by reference, is a true
12 and correct copy of the billing summary for this matter that I received from the Accounting
13 Department. The summary includes the billing costs incurred by me, as well as other
14 professionals of the DOJ who worked on the matter; and sets forth the tasks undertaken, the
15 amount of time billed for the activity, and the billing rate by professional type. The billing
16 summary is comprehensive of the charges by the Office to the Department of Cannabis Control
17 through March 2, 2026. It does not include billing for tasks performed after March 2, 2026, up to
18 the date of hearing.

19 6. Based upon the time reported through March 2, 2026, as set forth in Exhibit A, DOJ
20 has billed the Department of Cannabis Control \$5,463.00 for the time spent working on the
21 above-entitled case.

22 7. To the best of my knowledge the items of cost set forth in this certification are correct
23 and were necessarily incurred in this case.

24 I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
25 is true and correct.

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Executed on March 2, 2026.

Matthew S. Beasley

MATTHEW S. BEASLEY
Deputy Attorney General
Declarant

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Exhibit A



Cost of Suit Summary

As of Mar 2, 2026

MatterID: LA2025803717	Date Opened: Nov 11, 2025	Total Legal Costs:	\$5,463.00
Description: Meriprana LLC (ACC)		Cost of Suit:	\$0.00
		Grand Total:	\$5,463.00

Totals include WIP time.

Rate	Hrs Wrkd	Amount
Matter Time Activity Summary		
Attorney		
<i>2025-2026</i>		
\$228.00	12.75	\$2,907.00
Total For: 2025-2026		\$2,907.00
Total for: Attorney		\$2,907.00
Paralegal		
<i>2025-2026</i>		
\$213.00	12.00	\$2,556.00
Total For: 2025-2026		\$2,556.00
Total for: Paralegal		\$2,556.00
Total Legal Costs		\$5,463.00

Entry No	Journal Date	Vendor #	Vendor	Schedule	Reference	Amount
Cost of Suit						
<i>* Denotes soft costs which are not included in totals.</i>						



Matter Time Activity By Professional Type

As of Mar 2, 2026

Matter ID: LA2025803717				Date Opened: 11/11/2025						
Description: Meriprana LLC (ACC)										
Professional Type: Attorney										
Fiscal Year: 2025										
Professional: Gregory M. Cribbs										
Trans #	Date	Section	Client	Task	Hours Worked	Rate	Amount	Adj ?	Statement Date	
605988605	1/7/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Supervisory Review	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		1/31/26	
950454719	1/21/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		1/31/26	
606020148	1/27/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Supervisory Review	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		1/31/26	
Gregory M. Cribbs Totals:					1.50		\$342.00			
Professional: Harinder K. Kapur										
803343994	11/11/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	1.00	\$228.00	\$228.00		11/30/25	
Harinder K. Kapur Totals:					1.00		\$228.00			
Professional: Matthew S. Beasley										
605913647	11/19/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Research	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		11/30/25	
605936253	12/3/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		12/31/25	
605946803	12/10/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		12/31/25	
605961872	12/18/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	1.25	\$228.00	\$285.00		12/31/25	
605989442	1/7/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.75	\$228.00	\$171.00		1/31/26	
606000391	1/14/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606002460	1/15/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606008452	1/20/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Research	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606009589	1/21/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Client Communication	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		1/31/26	
606009592	1/21/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.75	\$228.00	\$171.00		1/31/26	
606016843	1/23/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		1/31/26	
606019644	1/26/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Analysis/Strategy	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606021084	1/27/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.75	\$228.00	\$171.00		1/31/26	
606022099	1/28/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606027700	1/30/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Research	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		1/31/26	
606044881	2/9/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00			
606052511	2/12/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00			



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Trans #	Date	Section	Client	Task	Hours Worked	Rate	Amount	Adj ?	Statement Date
606059773	2/13/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606059816	2/18/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606061814	2/19/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Document Analysis	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606064025	2/20/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606072530	2/24/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Analysis/Strategy	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606075384	2/25/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Settlement Preparation/Negotiation	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606075605	2/26/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.50	\$228.00	\$114.00		
606078005	2/27/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Communication with Other Party	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606079750	2/27/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Document Analysis	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606083448	3/2/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Client Communication	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
606083480	3/2/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Settlement Preparation/Negotiation	0.25	\$228.00	\$57.00		
Matthew S. Beasley Totals:					10.25		\$2,337.00		
2025 Totals:					12.75		\$2,907.00		
Attorney Totals:					12.75		\$2,907.00		



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Matter ID: LA2025803717					Date Opened: 11/11/2025				
Description: Meriprana LLC (ACC)									
Professional Type: Paralegal									
Fiscal Year: 2025									
Professional: Helen Koh									
Trans #	Date	Section	Client	Task	Hours Worked	Rate	Amount	Adj ?	Statement Date
803368775	12/3/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$213.00	\$53.25		12/31/25
803373424	12/8/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	5.25	\$213.00	\$1,118.25		12/31/25
803374783	12/9/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	3.50	\$213.00	\$745.50		12/31/25
803375831	12/10/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Pleading Preparation	0.75	\$213.00	\$159.75		12/31/25
803396689	12/29/25	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	0.25	\$213.00	\$53.25		12/31/25
803465058	2/27/26	CV-CCS:290	02668	Case Management	2.00	\$213.00	\$426.00		
Helen Koh Totals:					12.00		\$2,556.00		
2025 Totals:					12.00		\$2,556.00		
Paralegal Totals:					12.00		\$2,556.00		
LA2025803717 Totals:					24.75		\$5,463.00		

Exhibit 5

Investigative Report (without attachments)

INVESTIGATION REPORT



**Department of
Cannabis Control**
CALIFORNIA



CASE INFORMATION	
Case Number DCC25-0000868-LIC	Date Received April 16, 2025
License Number DCC-10004132	Legal Business Name of Licensee or Unlicensed Party MeriPrana Manufacturing Facility
DBA Genuine No. 9's, Mediprana +	Premises Address 2338 E. Anaheim St., Ste 103, Long Beach, CA 90804
Business Phone Number (714) 768-5739	Author's Name Jorge Avila
Date of Incident	Location of Incident 2338 E. Anaheim St., Ste 103, Long Beach, CA 90804
DESIGNATED RESPONSIBLE PARTY (OWNER) OR UNLICENSED PERSON(S)	
Name (First, Middle, Last) Andres Batta	Title Designated Responsible Party/Business Owner
Address (include street, city, state, and zip code) 2338 E. Anaheim St. Ste 102, Long Beach, CA 90804	
E-mail Address rachel@idcapitalholdings.com	Phone Number (630) 605-2562
Miscellaneous Information Additional Owner: Daniel Mackey 220 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach, CA 92660 daniel@ldcapitalholdings.com (949) 610-2041	

SUMMARY

On April 16, 2025, I, Department of Cannabis Control (Department) Special Investigator (SI) Jorge Avila along with SI Traci Lucchesi (Lucchesi), attempted to conduct a regulatory compliance inspection of MeriPrana Manufacturing Facility (MeriPrana), license No. DCC-10004132, located at 2338 E. Anaheim St., Ste 103, Long Beach, CA 90804. MeriPrana has a commercial cannabis Type 6 annual license that authorizes the licensee to conduct nonvolatile solvent Extraction.

I attempted to contact Andres Batta (Batta) who is listed in the Department's records as the Designated Responsible Party and Business Owner for MeriPrana. I also attempted to contact Rachel OCallaghan (OCallaghan), who is listed as the On-Site Contact and Daniel Mackey (Mackey) who is listed as a Business Owner. I was unable to make contact with any individuals listed in Department records for MeriPrana. I reviewed California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) records and observed that MeriPrana was routinely accepting packages of manufactured cannabis products that had passed regulatory compliance testing, which they were not authorized to receive, and immediately performing a package adjustment and classifying the cannabis goods as waste.

MeriPrana failed to provide the Department with immediate access to inspect the licensed premises and failed to provide records requested by the Department. Secretary of State Records show that this business currently has a suspended status.



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BACKGROUND

MeriPrana's Manufacturing license No. DCC-10004132 is currently active. The license was issued to MeriPrana on April 4, 2023, and will expire on March 24, 2026 (Attachment A). Department records show Batta is the Designated Responsible Party and Business Owner. Department records show OCallaghan is the On-Site Contact and Mackey is a Business Owner.

Secretary of State (SOS) records show Draftclass LLC and LD Capital Holdings, LLC as Managers or Members for MeriPrana (Attachment B).

SOS records show Andres Batta II as Manager or Member, Agent for Service of Process, and Chief Executive Officer for Draftclass LLC (Attachment C). SOS records show Michael Black as a Manager or Member and Agent for Service of Process for LDC Capital Holdings LLC (Attachment D).

SOS Records show that this business currently has a suspended status. (Attachment E)

MeriPrana's CCTT account shows Maida Correa, Hector Gonzales, Christina Kelly, Daniel Mackey, and Ulisses Matasoros as authorized users (Attachment F).

CASE NARRATIVE

On April 16, 2025, at approximately 1353 hours, SI Lucchesi and I, arrived at the licensed premises of MeriPrana, located at 2338 E. Anaheim St., Ste 103, Long Beach, CA 90804 to conduct an unannounced inspection.

Upon arrival at MeriPrana's licensed premises, I reviewed the licensee's CCTT account and generated a report directly from the CCTT system. I reviewed MeriPrana's CCTT account and the generated report. During the review of MeriPrana's CCTT account I noted that there were 113 packages of cannabis or cannabis products which should have been physically present in the licensed premises (**Attachment G**). The cannabis 113 packages amounted to the following amounts of cannabis and cannabis product types:

CCTT METRC Category	Total	Unit of Measurement
Capsules (weight – each)	36	Each
Edibles (weight – each)	133	Each
Extract (weight – each)	122	Each
Flower	207.1	Lbs.
Flower (packaged eight-each)	48	Each
Flower (packaged half once – each)	8	Each
Flower (packaged ounce-each)	8	Each
Fresh Cannabis Plant	290	Lbs.
Other Concentrate (weight-each)	232	Each
Pre-Roll Flower	20	Each
Pre-Roll Infused	20	Each
Vape Cartridge (weight -each)	690	Each

Based on my review of the cannabis and cannabis products identified above, I discovered that approximately 207.1 lbs. of flower (Attachment H) and 290 lbs. of fresh cannabis plants (Attachment I) had not undergone and passed regulatory compliance testing.

I reviewed the premises diagram in the Department's records for MeriPrana's licensed premises and discovered the licensed premises is located in a shared building with other businesses (**Attachment J**).



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At approximately 1401 hours, SI Lucchesi and I attempted to enter the licensed premises by using the building intercom directory but there was no listing for MeriPrana (**Attachment K**). I was not able to access the interior of the building.

Between 1406 - 1434 hours, I made telephone calls to Batta (630-605-2562), OCallaghan (630-605-2562), Mackey (949-610-2041), and to MeriPrana (714-768-5739) using the phone numbers listed in the Department's records. I was unable to make contact with Batta because the female that answered the call stated that I had the wrong phone number. I was unable to make contact with OCallaghan because the phone number listed for her is the same phone number listed for Batta and the female that answered stated that I had the wrong phone number. I was unable to make contact with Mackey because when I made the outgoing call, I received a standard recording stating that the Verizon number was no longer in service. I was unable to make contact with MeriPrana because no one answered the phone; however, I did leave a voice message requesting a call back and stating that I was at the location attempting to conduct an inspection. I never received a call back.

I then attempted to reach Christina Kelly (831-534-0526), who is listed in Department records as the Primary Contact for MeriPrana LLC, distributor license No. C11-0000959-LIC, located at 2338 E. Anaheim Ste #102, Long Beach, CA 90804 but the phone number was no longer in service. MeriPrana LLC is located in the same building as MeriPrana but in a different suite number.

Later that day, at approximately 1515 hours while still at the premises, I served a Notice to Comply (NTC) via electronic mail to Batta (rachel@idcapitalholdings.com), OCallaghan (rachel@idcapitalholdings.com), and Mackey (daniel@idcapitalholdings.com) using the electronic mail addresses listed in Department records (**Attachment L**). Department records do not show a separate electronic mail address listed for MeriPrana.

The NTC notified MeriPrana, Batta, OCallaghan, and Mackey of my attempt to perform an inspection at the licensed premises of MeriPrana, DCC-10004132, located at 2338 E. Anaheim St., Ste 103, Long Beach, CA 90804.

In the NTC, I requested immediate access to MeriPrana's licensed premises, video surveillance footage of all exterior and interior cameras of MeriPrana's licensed premises from April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, and the following records: all outbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, all inbound transfer invoices from April 1, 2025, to April 16, 2025, employee records for all individuals employed by MeriPrana from October 1, 2024, to April 16, 2025, and all transport vehicle registration(s) and proof of insurance(s) for all vehicles used by MeriPrana Manufacturing Facility Genuine No. 9's Mediprana +. The electronic mailings were undeliverable because the hosts were unknown (invalid email addresses) (**Attachment M**).

On April 16, 2025, at approximately 1517 hours, SI Lucchesi and I left the premises.

On July 1, 2025, I reviewed MeriPrana's CCTT records and discovered, from January 1, 2024, to July 1, 2025, the licensee has performed 7,743 package adjustments to negative quantities, which resulted in 304,654 individual cannabis goods designated as cannabis waste (**Attachment N**). From my training and experience, I know that this magnitude and type of cannabis activity is commonly associated with licensees engaged in cannabis diversion. Licensees designate high volumes of cannabis goods as waste to remove the existence of the cannabis good from the CCTT system.

I compared MeriPrana's inactive cannabis goods packages (**Attachment O**) with the packages associated with the package adjustments (**see Attachment N**) and I discovered the majority of the cannabis goods consisted of manufactured cannabis products that had undergone and passed regulatory compliance testing. The cannabis products were sent to MeriPrana from other licensees and MeriPrana was not the original manufacturer. The following shows examples of the package history for packages received by MeriPrana:

UID 1A406030003BD6D000578412: received by MeriPrana on July 25, 2024, at 19:52 hours. The



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product was received from LDL Capital Holdings, LLC, License C11-0001921-LIC and had previously received and passed regulatory compliance testing. On July 25, 2024, at 20:15 hours, the product was adjusted to a quantity of zero with the reason documented as "Waste (Unusable Product)" (**Attachment P**).

UID 1A4060300048D3D001925311 received by MeriPrana on July 25, 2024, at 19:52 hours. The product was received from LDL Capital Holdings, LLC, License C11-0001921-LIC and had previously received and passed regulatory compliance testing. On July 25, 2024, at 20:15 hours, the product was adjusted to a quantity of zero with the reason documented as "Waste (Unusable Product)" (**Attachment Q**).

Per Department regulations, cannabis goods that have undergone and passed regulatory compliance testing may be returned to their originating licensee or must be accompanied by a remediation plan approved by the Department. I reviewed Department records and did not find any approved remediation plans submitted or approved by the Department.

I reviewed CCTT records for MeriPrana's recent cannabis package transfers and discovered that MeriPrana has 20 outstanding transfer manifests that they have not accepted. The manifests are all transfers from licensed cannabis distributor MX3, LLC, C11-0001967-LIC. Prior to my attempted inspection of MeriPrana on April 16, 2025, MX3, LLC and MeriPrana had completed 40 transfers accounting for 3,591 cannabis packages, all of which were adjusted down to a zero quantity. (**Attachment R**).

I know from my training and experience that a licensee engaged in cannabis diversion will often not accept large volumes of cannabis transfers to avoid showing that the cannabis and cannabis products were transferred to their license; in the meantime, the cannabis packages are removed from their originating source inventory.

WITNESS LIST

Witness #1

- Name: Jorge Avila
- Title/Position: Special Investigator
- Address: 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
- Phone: 279-239-0394
- E-mail: jorge.avila@cannabis.ca.gov
- Miscellaneous information: Willing to testify regarding inspection on April 16, 2025.

Witness #2

- Name: Traci Lucchesi
- Title/Position: Special Investigator
- Address: 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
- Phone: 279-217-3583
- E-mail: traci.lucchesi@cannabis.ca.gov
- Miscellaneous information: Willing to testify regarding inspection on April 16, 2025



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PREPARER	
Name Jorge Avila	Title Special Investigator #4055
Signature Jorge Avila	Date Digitally signed by Jorge Avila Date: 2025.10.15 05:54:15 -07'00'
REVIEWER	
Name Travis White	Title Supervising Special Investigator
Signature White, Travis@Cannabis	Date Digitally signed by White, Travis@Cannabis Date: 2025.10.14 09:30:51 -07'00'

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A – Manufacturing License
- Attachment B – Secretary of State, *Statement of Information* for MeriPrana
- Attachment C – Secretary of State, *Statement of Information* for Draftclass LLC
- Attachment D – Secretary of State, *Statement of Information* for LD Capital Holdings LLC
- Attachment E – Screenshot of Secretary of State Showing MeriPrana as Suspended
- Attachment F – Screenshot of CCTT Authorized Users for MeriPrana
- Attachment G – METRC Summary of 113 Active Packages
- Attachment H – METRC Flower Packages
- Attachment I – METRC Fresh Cannabis Plants Packages
- Attachment J – Premises Diagram
- Attachment K – Photos of Intercom Directory
- Attachment L – Notice to Comply and Email When NTC Was Served
- Attachment M – Undeliverable Email Notification of the Notice to Comply
- Attachment N – Packages Adjustments Report, Reason: Waste
- Attachment O – MeriPrana Inactive Packages
- Attachment P – UID 1A406030003BD6D000578412 Package History
- Attachment Q – UID 1A4060300048D3D001925311 Package History
- Attachment R – METRC Transfer Report

PROOF OF SERVICE

Case Name: In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Meriprana LLC dba Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC
DCC Case No. DCC25-0000868-LIC
License No. DCC-10004132, Manufacturer-Type 6

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 March 4, 2026, I served the within documents:

NOTICE OF DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

- 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.

Meriprana LLC dba Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC
Andres Batta II & Daniel Mackey, Owners
2338 E Anaheim St., Ste. # 103
Long Beach, CA 90804
Certified Mail No. 7022 1670 0001 3411 7842
Email: (No known email address)

Andres Batta II, DRP/Owner
Meriprana LLC dba Genuine No. 9's, MediPrana LLC
2338 E Anaheim St., Ste. # 102
Long Beach, CA 90804
Certified Mail No. 7022 1670 0001 3411 7859
rachel@ldcapitalholdings.com

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Newport Beach, CA 92660
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I am familiar with the Department's business practices for collecting and transmitting mail through the United States Postal Service. In accordance with those practices, correspondence placed in the Department's internal mail collection system is, in the ordinary course of business, deposited in the United States Postal Service, with postage paid, on the same day.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, and the United States of America, that the above is true and correct.

Executed on March 4, 2026, at Rancho Cordova, California.



Christina C. Ubaldo