Steven Robinson Albion LD 1840

My name is Steve Robinson. I operate a small caregiver business cultivating cannabis under the sun on our family farm on the shores of Lovejoy Pond in Albion. We serve mostly low and middle income rural patients who like that our flower is grown naturally, with robust terpenes and no nasty chemical fertilizers or pesticides. We use only organic nutrients and do not use harmful pesticides.

I support the proposed revisions to the statutes to protect against some of the onerous requirements that OCP has been attempting to implement by policy changes. The proposed changes would eliminate some of the risks that we face, such as making our addresses publicly known.

The provisions regarding trade shows and gatherings where all participants are registered is also a good provision to support small businesses and family farmers like us. Maine has a great tradition of farmers markets and something similar in the cannabis context would allow greater exposure for small operators like us.

Thank you for your consideration.