

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

In the Matter of

**Schedules of Controlled Substances:
Proposed Rescheduling of Marijuana**

**DEA Docket No. 1362
Hearing Docket No. 26-96**

STANDING ORDER REGARDING COMMUNICATION FROM NON-PARTIES

Pursuant to 21 C.F.R. § 1316.50, “[a]ny person entitled to appear in a hearing...may be heard with respect to matters relevant to the issues under consideration.” As discussed in a prior order, the Administrator of the DEA has conducted the interested persons analysis and named seven Interested Parties (who, along with the Government, make up the Designated Parties). Preliminary Order at 3; *see* 21 C.F.R. § 1308.44(b). These Designated Parties are those entitled to appear in this matter. It is not for this tribunal to disturb the Administrator’s analysis, nor will this tribunal entertain motions to do so.

Furthermore, Agency regulations are clear that only those Designated Parties that have been duly selected by the Administrator to participate in this matter have proper standing to make submissions in this forum. *See, e.g.*, 21 C.F.R. § 1316.50. All other submissions in this forum concerning this matter by non-parties lack standing and will not be considered.

Dated: June 23, 2026

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DEREK C. JULIUS
Chief Administrative Law Judge