



South Carolina
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION
123 Ballard Court, West Columbia, SC 29172

Hugh E. Weathers, Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To: Lt. Jason D. Wells, Narcotics
South Carolina Law Enforcement Div.

From: Derek M. Underwood, Assistant Commissioner
Consumer Protection Division, SCDA

Date: August 5, 2019

RE: Trent Pendarvis (permit # 1992) violation of Hemp Farming Program

It has come to our attention that Mr. Trent Pendarvis is unlawfully growing Hemp on acreage that is not on record with the SCDA. This is a willful violation of the Hemp Farming Program which requires a licensed grower to provide the SCDA with a legal description and global positioning coordinates of the land on which the licensee seeks to cultivate hemp.

Mr. Pendarvis, during an SCDA farm visit, acknowledged to an SCDA employee that the land at issue was not on record with SCDA, yet the SCDA employee observed the land to be planted with mature hemp plants. SCDA does not believe this violation to be negligent or an oversight on the part of Mr. Pendarvis and instead views this conduct as willful. This memo is to request SLED enact enforcement of this willful violation by Mr. Pendarvis.