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**A2LA Accredits First Recreational Marijuana Laboratory in North America to ISO/IEC 17025**

**August 2, 2016, Frederick, MD** – A2LA is pleased to announce the accreditation of TEQ Analytical Laboratories to ISO/IEC 17025:2005 for cannabis testing. TEQ Analytical Laboratories, based in Colorado, is the first recreational marijuana laboratory in North America accredited to this international standard. A2LA Biosafety Program Manager, Roger Brauning, said, “Cannabis testing laboratories that have gained ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation have demonstrated their competence and commitment to rigorous science. In the greatly-scrutinized recreational cannabis industry, we are pleased to have granted the first accreditation of its kind in North America.”

“By achieving ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation, TEQ Analytical Labs believes that we can address concerns throughout the industry regarding the adequacy and reliability of cannabis testing by providing customers with state-required tests that are accredited to an international standard by an internationally-recognized accreditation body.” Said Seth Wong, President of TEQ Analytical Laboratories.

Achieving ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation by A2LA is the pinnacle in third-party laboratory accreditation, as it confirms that laboratories have management, quality, and technical systems in place to ensure accurate and reliable analyses, as well as proper administrative processes to ensure that all aspects related to the sample, the analysis, and the reporting are standardized, measured, and monitored.



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