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Natural Products Association Demands FDA Action on CBDs Asks for Pathway for CBD to Become a New Dietary Ingredient

WASHINGTON, D.C.— The Natural Products Association (NPA) recently submitted comments to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on cannabidiol (CBD). Outgoing FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb stated in public comments in February that the agency would hold a public meeting in April to hear from Congress and other stakeholders about its approach to regulating CBD products. The date has not been confirmed.

“We urge the FDA to schedule a meeting at the earliest possible opportunity to discuss its enforcement strategy for CBD,” said Daniel Fabricant, Ph.D., President and CEO of NPA. “This issue deserves attention and we look forward to sharing our views with the Agency.”

According to a recent report issued by New Frontier Data, the U.S. CBD industry grew by nearly 40% in 2017, reaching \$367 Million in annual sales across hemp-derived and marijuana-derived markets.

NPA’s comments can be viewed [here](#).

Natural Products Association

The **Natural Products Association (NPA)** is *the* trade association representing the entire natural products industry. We advocate for our members who supply, manufacture and sell natural ingredients or products for consumers. The Natural Products Association promotes good manufacturing practices as part of the growth and success of the industry. Founded in 1936, NPA represents approximately 1,000 members accounting for more than 10,000 locations of retailers, manufacturers, wholesalers and distributors of natural products, including foods, dietary supplements and health/beauty aids. Visit www.npanational.org.