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Dear Pharmacist:

Renewal of Alabama licenses for pharmacists and for pharmacies will begin this year on September 1, 2016. The two year renewal application will only be available online this year. This will allow your information to be entered directly into your file without it being retyped by our office. The license renewal fee will be \$100 for your license and \$100 for your Controlled Substance permit, which can be paid by credit card at the end of the renewal form. If you do not need a controlled substance permit, you will be able to complete a Controlled Substance Waiver during the renewal process. The law reads that renewals are due by October 31st; however, we will allow until November 30th. Please do not wait until the last day. We cannot promise that we will be able to process all last minute renewals if there is a backlog.

The Alabama Legislature has voted that we need a one-time proof of citizenship from each licensee. If you have not uploaded your citizenship proof into the database, **you will not be allowed to renew until your information is updated in the database and verified by our office.** Please allow 7-10 business days once you update your citizenship before accessing the renewal form. You will know your citizenship is verified if you are able to proceed through the renewal process.

If you have been licensed 50 years or longer, you need only pay a \$25 license fee. Your controlled substance fee will still be \$100.

If you do not renew by December 31, 2016, please be aware there is a new rule about late renewals that will become effective August 21, 2016. This updated rule will allow you to pay, one time only, a non-disciplinary penalty of \$1,000 for your license and \$500 for your controlled substance license. This is if your license expired 12/31, but you continue to practice pharmacy into the next year. You may choose this option in January of the following year only. If you choose this option, there will be no discipline reported and a discipline will not appear on your permanent record. See the regulation on the back of this sheet.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Susan P. Alverson'.

Susan P. Alverson, D.P.A., M.H.P., R.Ph.
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**NON-DISCIPLINARY PENALTY FOR LATE RENEWAL OF LICENSE,
PERMIT, REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR ANY SIMILAR DOCUMENT
ISSUED.**

(1) In the event an application for renewal of any type of license, permit, registration, certification or any other similar document issued and required by the Alabama Pharmacy Practice Act, the Alabama Uniform Controlled Substances Act or any applicable Rule and the appropriate renewal fee is not received in the Board's office by December 31 of the applicable year, but is received in the Board's office no later than January 31 of the following year and activities requiring renewal were ongoing, a non-disciplinary administrative penalty as indicated below shall be received in the Board Office within fourteen (14) days of the Board's receipt of the renewal and if not, the opportunity to avoid discipline shall no longer be available, rather the Board shall initiate appropriate disciplinary actions. This penalty shall be in addition to the prevailing renewal fee.

- a) Pharmacy permits to include retail, institutional, non-resident pharmacies, and pharmacy services permits - \$1,000.00.
- b) Pharmacist license - \$1,000.00 Pharmacy controlled substance permits to include retail, institutional, non-resident, manufacturer/wholesaler/distributor - \$500.00
- c) Manufacturer/wholesaler/distributor to include manufacturer/wholesaler/distributors of oxygen and veterinarian medication - \$1,000.00.
- d) This Rule is adopted pursuant to the Board's authority set forth in Code of Alabama (1975), § 34-23-33(b) and is in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings.

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