

## MEDIA INFORMATION

### JTI Responds to Cases of Lung Illness in the United States

**Geneva, September 13, 2019** – Health authorities in the United States of America are investigating to date ca. 450 possible cases of lung illness which are claimed to be associated with the use of e-cigarettes. At this point in time only limited information has been released on the products involved and the potential root-cause of the lung illnesses.

**We are not aware of any Logic product being linked to these cases and being part of the respective investigations.**

What we understand from media reports is that many of the patients acknowledged a history of vaping e-liquids containing THC (cannabis oil). It has also been reported that vitamin E acetate, a chemical related to cannabis oils, has been found in many of the related samples analyzed by the authorities.

**In our Logic range of nicotine-containing products, we do not offer THC/cannabis e-liquids. And, we confirm that we do not use vitamin E acetate as an ingredient in our Logic e-liquids.**

At JTI we want to know exactly what goes in and comes out of our Logic e-cigarettes: **All Logic e-liquids are subject to a robust product stewardship program, including toxicological assessments and quality control of all ingredients used.** Only after having passed this thorough examination are Logic e-liquids released for sale.

**Vapers should be wary of consuming e-liquids from manufacturers which do not perform such rigorous safety and quality checks. Devices and consumables that are designed and tested to be used together, should always be paired with one another.**

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