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Via e-mail

Mr. John Hornsby
Corpus Christi Police Department Crime Laboratory
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RE: FSC Disclosure 15.06 – Corpus Christi Police Department Crime Laboratory
(Latent Prints)

Dear Mr. Hornsby:

At its February 12, 2016 meeting, the Commission reviewed the disclosure referenced above and determined no further action was necessary based on the materials that were provided by the laboratory. The Commission conditioned its determination on the laboratory's agreement to report any material changes to the information provided for the disclosure. On June 7, 2016, the laboratory filed a supplemental self-disclosure to the Commission related to this disclosure to report additional errors discovered during the laboratory's case review.

At its July 8, 2016 meeting, the Commission reviewed the self-disclosure and supplemental findings reported and determined the following:

Based on the documentary information provided by the laboratory-- including the extensive root cause analysis, corrective action plan and other steps taken by the laboratory to ensure the integrity and reliability of the laboratory's latent print casework-- the Commission decided no further action beyond the action plan described in the materials provided is necessary at this time. If the laboratory identifies any material changes to the information provided to the Commission, please notify the Commission as soon as possible.

During deliberation of this disclosure, Commissioners commended laboratory management on the thoroughness of its review. The Commission appreciates your diligence and commitment to integrity in the crime laboratory.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



Leigh M. Tomlin

Associate General Counsel

cc: Commission Members
Lynn Garcia, Commission General Counsel