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**Via email to [lauren.woolridge@dallascounty.org](mailto:lauren.woolridge@dallascounty.org)**

Ms. Lauren Woolridge, Quality Manager  
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Re: Texas Forensic Science Commission (“Commission”) Self-Disclosure No. 21.17,  
SWIFS (Firearms/Toolmarks)

Dear Ms. Woolridge,

At its April 16, 2021 quarterly meeting, the Commission voted to accept the referenced self-disclosure for investigation to determine whether the laboratory’s conclusion regarding professional misconduct and violations of the Texas Code of Professional Responsibility for Forensic Analysts are supported. The Commission formed an investigative panel consisting of members Mark Daniel, Bruce Budowle, and Jarvis Parsons.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation as the panel begins its investigation. Feel free to contact the Commission with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

*Leigh M. Tomlin*

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