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Re: Public Records Request/ Automatic License Plate Readers

Mr. Claussen,

This correspondence shall serve as the Department of Public Safety- Highway Patrol Divisions official response to your request for public records related to automatic license plate readers. The Department of Public Safety is an active member of the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) program. HIDTA assigned four mobile Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs) in August 2009 to the NHP Interdiction Task Force Team. The Nevada Highway Patrol did not purchase nor do they own any ALPRs.

The NHP does not have in its possession any records related to ALPRs.

The following is a response to the questions in your letter dated July 31, 2012:

- 1) The NHP does not have any records regarding policies, practices and procedures for procuring and using ALPR technology, and for storing accessing and sharing data obtained through ALPR technology.
- 2) The NHP does not have any records regarding the procurement of ALPR technology to include sources of funds used to pay for ALPR technology, invoices, local government approval or interactions with vendors.
- 3) The NHP does not have in its possession or maintain any records regarding data obtained from ALPRs.

- 4) ALPRs alerts/hits are not stored by NHP. The information is forwarded via wireless transmission to DEA who maintains LPR data for 180 days. 
- 5) The NHP does not have any records, policies or procedures regarding access to ALPR data.
- 6) The NHP does not store any data obtained through ALPR.
- 7) The NHP does have any ALPR data from third parties.
- 8) The NHP does not have any training material used to instruct members in ALPR deployment, data management, or operation of automated records systems that contain ALPR data.

If you have any questions, please contact Lt. Bill Bainter at 775-684-4907 or the Executive Director for Nevada HIDTA Kent Bitsko at (702) 795-8070.

Sincerely,



Lieutenant Bill Bainter
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