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Dane S. Claussen
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Re: Public Records Request // Automatic License Plate Readers

Dear Mr. Claussen,

I have reviewed the grants managed by this office and the following is a written response to the questions (attached) in your letter dated July 30, 2012.

1. The Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance (OCJA) has not applied for any federal funding for the purpose of directly purchasing an Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) system.
2. The Boulder City Police Department is the only Nevada law enforcement agency to submit an application for funding for an ALPR system. In July of 2009, OCJA awarded the Boulder City Police Department funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), grant award # 09-ARRA-02 for \$8,618 to partially fund the purchase of one ALPR System.
3. The Department of Justice imposes requirements to track any equipment purchase over \$5,000. This applies to all grant funded equipment purchases. There are no requirements specific to ALPR systems.
4. OCJA does not manage or control regional databases, data mining programs or other computerized management systems for ALPR data.
5. The Boulder City Police Department purchased a MPH-900 ADM3 Split Camera for \$23,725 and per the grant agreement, OCJA reimbursed them \$8,618. Federal rules require anything valued over \$5,000 be kept by the sub-recipient for the purpose of the grant. Should the Boulder City Police Department decide to sell the equipment they will notify OCJA. To date no such notification has occurred.

6. OCJA does not have any data sharing agreements that include ALPR data with any agency of the federal government or any division or department of the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Aviation Administration and Department of Defense.

If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (775) 687-3700, ext. 1.

Respectfully,



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cc: Chris Perry, DPS Director
Tom Finn, Boulder City Police Chief

