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## ***DPS ACCREDITATION***

May 28, 2010

Mr. Ron Fazio  
Integrated Forensic Laboratories -  
Lancaster PD  
1650 N. Dallas Ave  
Lancaster, Texas 75134

RE: Application for DPS Accreditation under Title 37, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 28,  
Subchapter H

Dear Mr. Ron Fazio:

With some exceptions, Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 38.35, requires Department of Public Safety (DPS) accreditation as a predicate to the admission of the forensic analysis of physical evidence and expert testimony relating to the evidence in a criminal case.

**As the designee of the Director of the Department of Public Safety, I have considered your application based on your national accreditation from ASCLD/LAB-Legacy and grant Full DPS Accreditation to Integrated Forensic Laboratories - Lancaster PD for the following disciplines:**

***Biology***

***Latent Prints***

The following limitations are imposed on these accredited disciplines: Biology (serology only); Latent Prints (print processing only).

ASCLD/LAB has extended their accreditation to include this new facility. DPS has conducted an assessment of the facility and found it to meet the expectations of the standards as being an appropriately controlled forensic laboratory.

The term of ASCLD/LAB-Legacy accreditation is from 12/1/2007 to 11/30/2012 unless they have extended their accreditation as part of a routine renewal process.

**The term of DPS accreditation is from 5/28/2010 until such time that the accreditation from ASCLD/LAB-Legacy is no longer current.**

DPS Accreditation is contingent upon compliance with Title 37, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 28, Subchapter H, including requirements of reporting correspondence, reports or communication between the laboratory and the accrediting body. DPS accreditation will be automatically rescinded at the same date and time as ASCLD/LAB-Legacy withdraws your laboratory accreditation.

Yours Truly,

D. Pat Johnson  
Director, Crime Laboratory Service