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Dear Commissioner Byrne:

Pursuant to Executive Law §995-b (13b) the DNA Subcommittee will assess and evaluate all DNA methodologies proposed to be used for forensic analysis and make recommendations to the Commission.

At the May 20, 2011 meeting the DNA Subcommittee reviewed and evaluated the New York State Police TrueAllele® Validation developed by New York State Police and Cybergenetics Corp. The DNA Subcommittee offers a binding recommendation to the Commission on Forensic Science that its use by NYSP Forensic Investigation Center be approved for forensic casework.

Very truly yours,

Jack Ballantyne, Ph.D.

Chair, NYS DNA Subcommittee

cc: Gina L. Bianchi, Esq., Deputy Commissioner & Counsel, DCJS NYS DNA Subcommittee Members

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