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Dear Ms. Wooldridge,

April 29, 2024

Ms. Jennifer Wooldridge Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board 4500 South Sixth Street Road Room #173 **Communications** Springfield, IL 62703-6617

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We are delighted to present to you the 2023 concise report on body-worn cameras from the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office proudly serves the community of over 700,000 residents in Lake County. Our team comprises 170 sworn law enforcement deputies, including 22 part-time staff. This figure encompasses our dedicated full-time deputies, part-time court security officers, and seasonal marine unit deputies. The report includes personnel from various divisions such as patrol, criminal investigation, warrants, civil process, training, court security, marine unit, and administration, all equipped with 'Axon Body 3' body-worn cameras.

At present, our inventory holds 370 body-worn cameras. Patrol deputies are allocated two cameras each for a seamless shift transition, while others typically carry one. These cameras are mandated to be activated during calls for service, capturing both audio and video in compliance with our written policy and Illinois state regulations.

Our policy dictates the activation of body-worn cameras and adheres to state statutes. Additionally, supervisory staff conduct biannual reviews of two random videos per subordinate to ensure compliance with policy and state law, as well as to identify any technical issues. Any technical glitches are promptly reported to the training division, while policy violations are addressed through our disciplinary and complaint procedures.

In the event of an internal or external complaint, supervisory personnel have access to review relevant bodyworn camera footage. Moreover, the Office of Professional Standards oversees all reviews and conducts periodic checks and audits.

We are pleased to report that in 2023, there were no widespread technical issues with our body-worn camera system.

Sincerely,

Raul Casas

Records Supervisor Lake County Sheriff's Office

"SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LAKE COUNTY WITH PRIDE"