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SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

1700 North Congress Ave., Suite 445
Austin, Texas 78701

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Ms. Lori Wilson
Houston Forensic Science Center
1301 Fannin, Suite 170
Houston, Texas 77002

RE: Application for Texas Forensic Science Commission Accreditation under Title 37, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 651.

Dear Ms. Wilson:

With some exceptions, the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 38.35, requires Texas Forensic Science Commission (“FSC”) 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 Texas Forensic Science Commission Presiding Officer, I have considered your application for re-accreditation and grant full FSC Accreditation to the Houston Forensic Science Center for the following forensic disciplines:

Forensic Discipline	Category of Analysis
Forensic Biology	Body Fluid Identification, DNA STR, Relationship Testing, Individual Characteristic Database
Firearms/Toolmarks	Physical Comparison, Product (make/model Determination, Functionality Determination, Length Measurement, Serial Number Restoration, Individual Characteristic Database, Trigger Pull Force Measurement
Seized Drugs	Qualitative Determination, Quantitative Measurement, Weight Measurement
Toxicology	Qualitative Determination, Quantitative Measurement

The term of ANAB accreditation is **10/08/2018 to 11/30/2022**, unless ANAB extends its accreditation as part of a routine renewal process. The term of FSC accreditation is from **10/08/2018** until such time that the accreditation from ANAB is no longer current.

FSC accreditation is contingent upon compliance with Title 37, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 651, including requirements of reporting correspondence, reports or communication between the laboratory and the accrediting body. FSC accreditation will be automatically rescinded at the same date and time as ANAB withdraws your laboratory accreditation.

Sincerely,

Leigh M. Savage

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FSC Accreditation Program Administrator