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COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICY

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**SUBJECT: RADIO TRANSMISSION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY/RECORDS
INFORMATION**

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1.0 Policy

- 1.1 To ensure compliance to applicable laws and DOJ standards requiring criminal history and records information remain confidential and privileged.
- 1.2 To restrict the radio broadcast of such information to peace officers with a validated "immediate need to know"

2.0 Procedure

- 2.1 Dispatchers will not routinely transmit information received from the Criminal History System or records information from a Records Division or system over the radio frequencies.
- 2.2 Dispatchers may broadcast criminal history or records information when an officer has determined all three of the following broadcast criteria exist:
 - ♦ There is a reasonable cause to believe the safety of the officer and/or public is at significant risk.

- ◆ There is an immediate need for criminal history information.
- ◆ Information from other data bases, such as wanted persons or stolen vehicles, would not be adequate.

2.2.1 Officers must state at the time of their requests that the broadcast criteria have been met.

2.3 Dispatchers can disseminate criminal histories over a cellular telephone or MDC at any time without restriction.

2.4 If a subject has a record of violations similar to the violation under investigation, dispatchers may inform officers there is a "related history" via a radio transmission and ask officers to phone dispatch for further information. Once on the phone, dispatchers can freely relay records information to officers.