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Subject: ISPFS Breath Alcohol Instrument Program Update

The Idaho State Police Forensic Services Laboratories is excited to announce that we recently completed training of a second breath alcohol specialist. Rachel Cutler in our Meridian Laboratory is our second Regional Breath Testing Coordinator. She completed a rigorous training program and is able to calibrate instruments and provide expert court testimony. When an ISPFS expert is needed in court (when the BTS is not able to testify to the extent the prosecutor feels necessary in the case), ISPFS will continue to make our expert available to testify.

Jeremy Johnston in the CDA laboratory serves the northern 10 counties in Idaho (Benewah, Boundary, Bonner, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, and Shoshone); Rachel Cutler in the Meridian Laboratory serves all other counties in Idaho. Instruments needing calibration and/or court subpoenas for the scientists should be sent to the scientist assigned to your county. All first-time calibrations still need to be routed from the factory to the Coeur d Alene Laboratory. Jeremy does all the first-time calibrations and all subsequent calibrations on an instrument should go to the ISPFS lab where your county is assigned. These two scientists cover a large territory and are extremely busy. Keeping the scientists in their service areas will help them to maximize their efforts for your county. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please call or email if you have any questions.

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