Gamette, Matthew

Subject: Idaho Draeger Approval **Attachments**: draeger re-release memo.pdf

Importance: High

Chief or Sheriff,

Effective immediately the Alcotest 9510 instrument is again authorized for evidential testing in Idaho. Please see the attached memo from Breath Alcohol Discipline Leader Jeremy Johnston. Agencies <u>must have a specific authorization for use of their instrument from ISPFS</u> after their instrument (including the dry gas enclosure) has been evaluated by ISPFS and Draeger Inc. for any applicable or needed corrective actions. The specific authorization email or memo for each instrument to return to use will be issued by the ISPFS Breath Alcohol Discipline Leader. Please contact Jeremy Johnston at 208-209-8706 or jeremy.johnston@isp.idaho.gov to obtain the authorization. Draeger Inc. will be contacting each agency in Idaho with an Alcotest 9510 instrument to discuss actions needed.

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IDAHO STATE POLICE

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

June 15, 2017

TO:

Mathew Gamette

FROM:

Jeremy Johnston

SUBJECT:

Release of Draeger 9510

Upon initial approval and release of the Draeger Alcotest 9510 evidentiary breath testing instrument, it was discovered that there were some issues with the dry gas delivery system used for performance verifications when the units were deployed into the field. In an abundance of caution, ISP Forensic Services made the decision to temporarily discontinue use of the Alcotest 9510 instruments for evidentiary testing in Idaho. Collaborative discussions between ISP Forensic Service and Draeger Inc. identified issues isolated to the Dry Gas Enclosure (DGE) and fittings in the dry gas delivery system. The issues were found to not have affected any portion or aspect of the analytical capabilities of the instrument as it pertained to evidentiary breath testing results.

Draeger Inc. has further tested the DGE and the instrument itself, isolated the issue through root cause analysis, and addressed the issues with appropriate corrective actions. The Draeger Inc. technical assembly procedures and parts used in the instrument manufacturing process have been revised to appropriately resolve these issues. Draeger and ISPFS determined that all analytical results performed on these instruments during the time frame they were approved for use in Idaho are valid.

All of the units in use within Idaho have been, or will have been checked and verified by Draeger and ISPFS to be free of the issues identified previously. Effective immediately, once an Alcotest 9510 instrument has completed this verification by Draeger Inc. and ISPFS, the Alcotest 9510 instruments may again be used for evidential testing in Idaho. As always, ISPFS will continue to closely monitor these instruments over time to ensure the highest quality standards are followed for this evidentiary testing.

Jeremy Johnston

Idaho State Police

Volatiles Analysis Discipline Leader