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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Camden County Chiefs of Police** 

**All Municipal Prosecutors** 

FROM:

Prosecutor Mary Eva Colalille

DATE:

**September 23, 2014** 

RE:

**Temporary Procedure Utilizing Alcotest Instrument** 

For Standard Time Period October 26 - November 2, 2014

Memo # 14-15

Enclosed please find a copy of memorandum from the Office of the Attorney General detailing the temporary procedure for utilizing the Alcotest Instrument for the standard time period of October  $26^{th}$  through November  $2^{nd}$ .

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

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Enc. C:

First Assistant Prosecutor Mark K. Chase, w/enc.

Deputy First Assistant Prosecutor Grace C. MacAulay, w/enc.

A/Chief Mark S. Nicholas, w/enc.



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TO: All County Prosecutors

Colonel Joseph Fuentes, Superintendent, New Jersey Division of State Police

All Municipal Prosecutors

All Law Enforcement Executives

Re: Temporary Procedure for Evidential Breath Test Utilizing

Alcotest Instrument for Standard Time Period October 26 - November 2, 2014

In 2007, the federal Energy Policy Act, 42 <u>U.S.C.</u> §15801, changed the dates of ending Daylight Savings Time from the last Sunday in October to the first Sunday in November.

The Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C New Jersey firmware version 3.11 is configured to automatically revert to Eastern Standard Time based on the pre-2007 timetable. Instead of changing to Eastern Standard Time on November 2, 2014, the Alcotest 7110 MK III-C will change on October 26, 2014. Commencing at 02:00 on October 26, 2014, the instrument will record all times, both printed and electronic, with an "S" suffix, indicating Standard Time.

The instrument's recordation of Standard Time rather than Daylight Savings Time does not affect the method of analysis or the accuracy of the readings. All current procedures for the processing of arrested intoxicated drivers are to continue, including the 20 minute observation period currently part of the regular protocol. However, because the Alcotest is set to read in Standard Time for the week between October 26 and November 2, <u>Breath Test Operators should enter the time of arrest in the Alcotest instrument in Standard Time (one hour earlier than Daylight Savings Time)</u>. Entries on all other documents related to the arrest (e.g., police reports) should reflect Daylight Savings Time which will remain in effect until November 2, 2014.

Any questions regarding this procedure can be directed to your New Jersey State Police Breath Test Coordinator or the Municipal Prosecutor Supervisor within the County Prosecutor's Office.

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Philip S. Aronow, Assistant Attorney General Chief, Prosecutors Supervision & Training Bureau

c: AAG Elie Honig, Director, Division of Criminal Justice A/Lt. Matteo Russo, NJSP Alcohol & Drug Testing Unit Traffic Records Unit, Criminal Justice Records Bureau, NJSP Dr. Howard Baum, Director, NJSP Office of Forensic Science



