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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Camden County Chiefs of Police,

All Municipal Prosecutors

FROM:

Prosecutor Warren W. Faulk

DATE:

February 25, 2014

RE:

Temporary Procedure Utilizing Alcotest Instrument

For Standard Time Period March 9 - April 6, 2013

Memo # 14-03

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 March 9th through April 6th.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.



CHRIS CHRISTIE Governor

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February 21, 2014

TO: All County Prosecutors

Colonel Joseph Fuentes, Superintendent, NJSP

All Municipal Prosecutors

All Law Enforcement Executives

Re:

Temporary Procedure for Evidential Breath Tests

Utilizing Alcotest Instrument for

Daylight Savings Time Period March 9-April 6, 2014

In 2005, President Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005, 42 U.S.C. sec. 15801. This Act, the relevant portion of which is attached, changes the dates of Daylight Savings Time effective 2007. As a result, Daylight Savings Time will begin on the second Sunday in March (March 9, 2014) instead of the first Sunday in April (April 7, 2014).

The Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C New Jersey firmware version 3.11 is configured to automatically convert to Daylight Savings Time based on the pre-2007 timetable. Therefore, instead of changing to Daylight Savings Time on March 9, 2014, the Alcotest 7110 MK III-C will change on April 6, 2014. Prior to April 6, 2014, the instrument will continue to record all times, both printed and electronic, with an "S" suffix, indicating Standard Time. At 02:00 on April 6, 2014, the instrument's time recording will automatically change to a "D" suffix, indicating Daylight Savings 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 during that period of time, Breath Test Operators should enter the time of arrest in the Alcotest instrument in Standard Time (one hour earlier than Daylight Savings Time). Entries on all other documents related to the arrest (e.g., police reports) should reflect Daylight Savings Time effective March 9, 2014.





JOHN J. HOFFMAN

Acting Attorney General

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Director

Please inform all local law enforcement personnel to direct any questions regarding the implementation of this interim procedure to their respective County Prosecutor's Office.

very truly yours,

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c: DAG Michael Williams, Counsel to the Director
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