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Combined Probability of Inclusion/Exclusion

On August 21, 2015, the Texas Forensic Science Commission (TFSC) issued a letter to the Texas Criminal Justice Community regarding DNA mixture interpretation in the Texas criminal justice system. Specifically, the TFSC letter expressed concerns centered on the use of the Combined Probability of Inclusion/Exclusion (CPI or CPE) to provide statistical weight to the probability that an individual is included as a potential source in a DNA mixture.

The Bexar County Criminal Investigation Laboratory is acting on the concerns raised by the TFSC, but remains confident that the Laboratory's use of CPI/CPE has been and is currently appropriate. However, the Laboratory also recognizes that the concerns raised by the TFSC letter may impact current and past criminal trials. Therefore, upon written request and where practicable, the Laboratory will re-evaluate, using current standard operating procedures, Laboratory reports for which an analyst reported a CPI/CPE calculation. Please be aware that re-evaluation with current procedures may not be appropriate for all past Laboratory reports due to updates to analytical procedures and forensic DNA technologies over the entire timespan of forensic DNA analysis at the Laboratory.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the Laboratory's Forensic DNA section at 210-335-4100.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erin Reat".

Erin Reat
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