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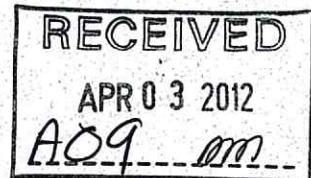
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REPORT OF THE POLICE SERVICE

TO

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Board Report Number: *67/2012*

Date of Report: 2011.06.03

Date of Board Meeting: 2012.04.26

Acting Chairperson Henry D'Angela
and Members of the
Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board

Reference: Reporting Requirement of Police Services Board
By-Law 223 – 2000 – Drug Investigations

Recommendation: Receive for information.

Background:

On 2000.11.30 and 2000.12.14, a number of Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board By-Laws were enacted in response to the *Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulations*. These by-laws contain provisions requiring the Chief of Police to report specific information in order to ensure compliance with the legislative guidelines.

This report is submitted to provide the Board with the necessary and required information, pursuant to certain by-laws, relating to investigations pertaining to Drug



Investigations. Subsequent reports will follow annually to continue with this reporting process.

By-Law #223 - 2000, a *By-Law Respecting Drug Investigations*, was enacted as a result of *Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation, Law Enforcement 031 – Drug Investigations*. This by-law details specific requirements that are reported as follows:

The Chief shall make a written report to the Board on or before August 30 of each year in respect of drug investigations. This report shall contain:

- a) A summary of the procedures for the investigations into drug-related offences other than simple possession;
- b) The status of Service compliance with the said procedures; and
- c) A summary of Service assistance to other Police Services in respect of drug investigations.

The following is a detailed response to each of the above noted requirements:

- a) **“...a summary of the written procedures concerning investigations into drug-related matters...”**

The Service has four General Orders that address the requirements of Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulations (LE-031) and Niagara Regional Police Services Board By-Law 223-2000.

- General Order 117.05, Search and Seizure contains sections that are relative to Drug Investigations:
- General Order 120..04 Morality – Drug Unit
- General Order, 199.01 Grow Operations and Clandestine Labs
- General Order, 208.01 Drug Related Offences

- b) **“...the status of Service compliance with the said procedures...”**

The listed General Orders are reviewed on an annual basis to ensure compliance with the Adequacy Standards. ..

Training relative to Drug Investigations is conducted at the Ontario Police College at both the recruit and advanced Drug Investigator level. The Canadian Police College also provides advanced Drug Investigator Training and Clandestine Lab Investigative Training.

- c) **“...a summary of Service assistance to other Police Services in respect of drug investigations...”**

Members of the Service liaise, assist and work with various other Municipal/Provincial Police Agencies, the RCMP, as well as American Law Enforcement Agencies including the FBI, U.S. Border Patrol and U.S. Department of Homeland Security. These partnerships have resulted in international arrests and cash seizures, as well as the exchange of valuable information.

Conclusion:

This report is submitted to the Board for review and consideration of information relating to Drug Investigations of the Niagara Regional Police Service.

Relevant Policy Considerations:

**Provincial Adequacy Standards
Regulation LE-031 – Drug
Investigations**

**General Order – 117.05, *Search &
Seizure.***

**General Order 120.04 *Morality – Drug
Unit***

**General Order – 208.01, *Drug
Investigations***

***General Order – 199.01 Grow
Operations and Clandestine Labs***

Cost of Recommendations:

There are no costs associated with this recommendation.

Alternative Options:

To not receive this report.

Reasons for Recommendation:

To comply with the provisions of Police Service Board by-laws and to maintain compliance with the *Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulations.*

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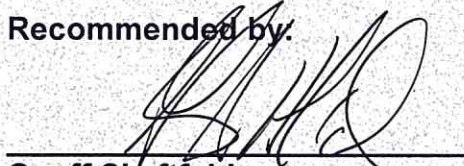
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