



Tri County Regional Forensic Laboratory Anoka - Sherburne - Wright

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The Anoka-Sherburne-Wright Tri-County Regional Forensic Laboratory recently discovered that the reported test results of the alcohol concentration in urine samples tested after January 1, 2010, were incorrect. Although the reports of the laboratory test stated that the alcohol concentration reflected the number of grams of alcohol per 67 milliliters of urine, the reported results actually reflected the number of grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of urine. Thus, the alcohol concentration reported was approximately one-third higher than it should have been.

We have reviewed our records and corrected the test reports. The amended test reports for urine samples submitted by your agency since January 1, 2010, are attached.

You should provide this information to the prosecuting attorneys who handled these cases so they can fulfill their ethical obligations to the affected lawyers and individuals. If the original test results were forwarded to the Department of Public Safety, you should also provide the amended test results to DPS.

The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension has conducted an internal review of the urine testing procedures in our laboratory. The BCA had determined this is nothing more than a calculation error. We have made the correction and are moving forward. We remain committed to providing quality and accurate testing.

We apologize for this error and regret the impact it may have had on affected individuals, as well as the inconvenience to your agency.

Very truly yours,

Steven Johnson

Lt. Steven Johnson

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Cc Sheriff Brott



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