Brazoria County Sheriff's Office Crime Laboratory Standard Operating Procedure: Laboratory Operations Guide Subject: Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Form

Corrective Action Plan BCCL-22-0335 Exhibit 1 Weight

Incident Date: August 11-12, 2022

Incident Type: Procedural

Incident Description: Analysis of evidence pertaining to BCCL-22-0335 began August 11, 2022. Only a gross weight of Exhibit 1, a ziplock with a crystalline substance, was recorded prior to analysis. The exhibit had to be reopened on August 12, 2022, for a net weight to be recorded. Since the exhibit was not a bulk item, gross weight was not applicable. Net weights of Exhibits 2 and 3 were taken; however, Exhibit 1 was the only exhibit that was analyzed. The analyst put a note in the results regarding the gross weight before and net weight after analysis. The difference in the weight was not significant enough to raise the level of offense. During the root cause investigation, the analyst stated that they forgot to record the net weight prior to analysis. This seemed to be an oversight on the analyst's part.

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Laboratory Director

5.2.3 Record the net weight of the sample prior to analysis, excluding the weight of any packaging...

Proposed Corrective Action(s):

1. Review standard operating procedures regarding weight with analyst.

Timeframe for Corrective Action(s): one week

Comment(s): Currently, our Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) are being revised. Under the proposed SOPs going forward, this would have been considered an incident and an incident form completed. While the same analyst had an incident a few months ago, they were unrelated in nature though the cause was the same – they had forgotten.

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