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## FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY CUSTOMER NOTICE 2016-03

### REGARDING OUTSOURCING OF DNA CASES October 4, 2016

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) Forensic Services Laboratory continually strives to remain responsive to the needs of our customers.

Due to the high demand for DNA analysis, and in an effort to reduce the number of cases awaiting analysis, the SLED Forensic Services Laboratory, through the DNA Casework Department, outsources analysis of some DNA cases to private vendor laboratories.

Vendor laboratories utilized must be accredited and must process casework samples in accordance with the *FBI Quality Assurance Standards for Forensic DNA Testing Laboratories*. These are the same standards that govern DNA analysis at SLED. Analytical data and final reports are reviewed by DNA analysts at SLED and qualifying DNA profiles are entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). Once the review process is complete, these reports are available on iLab or mailed if your agency does not have access to iLab.

We continually monitor this program for quality and effectiveness. If you have any questions or concerns, or if for any reason your agency chooses not to participate, you may contact the SLED DNA Casework Department at (803) 896-7383 or at [sleddna@sled.sc.gov](mailto:sleddna@sled.sc.gov).



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