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*RE: Public Records Request Regarding Execution Protocol*

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to the Ohio Public Records Act, Revised Code §149.43, we hereby request copies of the following public records.

(1) On October 5, 2009, Governor Strickland issued a temporary reprieve to the executions of Lawrence Reynolds and Darryl Durr. Governor Strickland's official public statement said:

Since September 15, the Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections has been working to establish a back-up or alternative lethal injection protocol in the unlikely event similar circumstances arise when implementing the death penalty in the future.

While the department has made progress, additional time is needed to fully conduct a thorough and comprehensive review of an alternative or back-up lethal injection protocol that is in accordance with Ohio law.

We request copies of all paper or electronic records pertaining to DRC's work described above.

(2) Media reports quote DRC spokesperson Julie Walburn saying that DRC is considering alternative options, including but not limited to injection into muscle or bone. Please provide copies of any paper or electronic records pertaining to the origin of these or other alternative concepts, research into them, discussion of how they might be implemented in Ohio, training and qualifications required to perform them, any discussion or documentation of the cost of using such methods, and any other discussion of their use.



(3) Any paper or electronic records created since September 15, 2009, regarding the need to make changes to DRC execution policy 01-COM-11 or creation of new policies or procedures.

(4) Any paper or electronic records created since September 15, 2009, regarding training, instruction, education, certification, or pertaining to the qualifications of any members of the execution team to carry out existing lethal injection procedure or any alternative execution methods being entertained by the Department (see #1).

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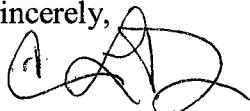
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I look forward to receiving your prompt reply. Please contact us if there are any questions pertaining to this request.

Sincerely,



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