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Laura Rotolo
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RE: Public Records Request: on August 3, 2011

Dear Attorney Rotolo:

This letter is in response to your public records request received on August 8, 2011 requesting disclosure of numerous documents, policies, procedures and records relative to the acquisition of cell phone location records under the care and custody of the Worcester Police Department.

Your requests, while broad and vague in nature, are being scheduled for a thorough review by our staff. However, due to both the extensive nature of your requests and our limited resources, we are unable to provide you with a detailed answer and a good faith estimate of costs¹ and any exemptions that may apply at this time.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Bureau of Professional Standards at 508-799-8694.

Respectfully,

Gary J. Gemme
Chief of Police

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¹ Pursuant to M.G.L. C. 66 §10(a), the *per copy* fee that we may charge for providing copies of these documents to you is \$1.00 per page if they are mailed to you [plus applicable postage charges], or \$.50 per page if you pick them up at Worcester Police Headquarters. In addition, please be advised that 950 C.M.R. 32.06 allows for payment to the custodian of the records being sought for search and segregation time, at the rate paid to the lowest paid employee that is capable of doing the work. In this case, due to the complexity of the materials involved and the expertise required in order to perform the necessary review of them prior to release, that employee is a police sergeant, and the current hourly rate is \$41.84. Due to budgetary and personnel constraints, we are not able to waive any fees associated with public records requests at this time.