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November 17, 2017

Mr. James Clevenger, Chair
Indiana State Ethics Commission
315 West Ohio Street, Room 104
Indianapolis, IN 46202

RE: Waiver of Application of 42-1-5-1 (the "Gift Rule") for Certain Items of Value Received by BMV Employees Attending the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators Regional Conference from October 24, 2017 to October 26, 2017

Dear Mr. Clevenger:

Peter Lacy, the appointing authority of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles ("BMV"), has designated authority to me as the agency's ethics officer to waive application of the Gift Rule in individual cases when consistent with public interest. I am hereby waiving application of 42 IAC 1-5-1(a) from BMV employees Peter Lacy, Elyssa Campodonico-Barr, Kevin Garvey, Holly Sample, Carl Bentley, Betsey Manikis, Lori Schein, Sarah Hotseller, David Bennett, Erin Bennett, LaVonne Elliot, and Tocarra Ervin, so that they may accept one dinner hosted by Intellectual Technology, Inc. ("ITI") during the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators ("AAMVA") conference from October 24, 2017 to October 26, 2017.

The items of value received by BMV employees include food and drink for one evening during the AAMVA conference. The exact date of this dinner was October 25, 2017. ITI has a business relationship with BMV. Travel and lodging expenses are not covered by this waiver.

The duties of the BMV staff in attendance include administering motor vehicle laws in the state of Indiana, including those related to credentials, titles, registrations, and operations. Attendance at the AAMVA conference serves as a tool for information sharing to encourage uniformity and reciprocity among the states and provinces. The conference encourage more effective public service. The dinner hosted by ITI immediately preceded the conference day, and during which, topics discussed served to benefit the BMV staff.

Therefore, it is my opinion that it is consistent with the public interest that BMV personnel attended one dinner during the AAMVA conference, and received the items of value specified above, even though payment for these items was made by an entity that has a business relationship with BMV.



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If you need additional information or have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at (317) 232-2915 or at ECampodonico-Barr@bmv.in.gov.

Sincerely,



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Chief of Staff and Ethics Officer

Cc: Lori A. Torres, Inspector General
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Attachments: AAMVA Gift Waiver November 17, 2017.pdf

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached you will find a gift waiver of the application of the Gift rule, 42 IAC 1-5-1. Please let me know if you have any questions.

All the best,
Elyssa Campodonico-Barr

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