Item No. 9.1.5

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Estimated Timeline- Follow-up from Drug Exhibit Inventory

Priorities

The team continues to investigate the whereabouts of the identified exhibits in the following order:

- 1) Cash seizures
- 2) Large drug amounts and all Fentanyl seizures
- 3) Smaller drug amounts
- 4) Other items and paraphernalia

*Note that no firearms have been identified as unaccounted for.

Staffing

• The Review Team consists of a sergeant, a seconded constable, and two police members on modified duties.

Current Status

Members have been working on the cash and large drug discrepancies between evidence and Versadex records. As of November 13, 2017:

• Located another \$1,070.00, now unreconciled balance is \$8,083.87.

HRP procured new equipment which has been tested and the team will be commencing the 2017 inventory prior to the end of November. The team will compare the 2016 inventory results with this year's inventory. The below statistics show where we started and the work completed to date.

Total items in the drug vault:

- > 2016 Inventory identified that there were 7,976 items located inside the drug vault.
- > 2017-Nov-08 report identifies that there are 4,411 items inside the drug vault.

Two drug sergeants have conducted three exhibit destructions this year at the proper facility:

- Burn 1 June 2017, 250kg (3,238 items) destroyed. This burn included the backlog items that were identified in the first physical inventory.
- Burn 2 August 2017, 220kg (725 items) destroyed.
- Burn 3 November 2017, 300kg (1,772 items) destroyed.
- A file in RMS is created for each burn with a full printed report of the items destroyed and all documents are scanned to the digital file. This is then audited by the Staff Sergeant in SES.

Review Team has completed:

- Researched all files inside the drug vault to identify what can be destroyed. This was a follow-up method from the 2016 physical inventory where hundreds of requests were made to Health Canada for authorization for destruction.
- Verified \$1,070.00 was tendered in Dartmouth Provincial court and later sent to Supreme Court.

In-progress:

• Soft start of drug vault inventory using the new equipment.

Review Team's Updated Projected Time Line

Next 6 weeks (from November 13th to December 31st, 2017):

- Complete annual physical drug vault inventory.
- Audit the 2017 K-drive files to test the new measures that have been implemented. Will work with Dr. Giacomantonio on sample size.
- Compare results with the original inventory with the SES supervisor and address any issues.
- This comparison will identify any outstanding gaps that will be addressed.
- Report on results of review including trends identified that led to discrepancies in records.
- Report to the Board of Police Commissioners on next steps.