



Letter of Award Chief's Citation Award

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From: Rick Dobrow - Interim Chief of Police
Date: November 17, 2015
Re: Chief's Citation Award

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To: Lt. Dave Singley
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