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TO: Chris Strider / Assistant County Attorney

FROM: Jeff Kramer / Bureau Chief

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SUBJECT: Security and Cost Considerations / Letecia Stauch EEG

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The following memorandum is intended to provide considerations from a security and operational perspective for the medical testing requested for Letecia Stauch by her legal team. It's my understanding an EEG has been requested with continuous monitoring by a third-party medical provider for a 72-hour period. During this time, Ms. Stauch would be connected to the EEG which would involve medical equipment to be near, or connected to her in some way, with parts involving wires.

Furthermore, I understand there are three primary options discussed for the best location for this testing to occur. Considerations for each are outlined below. Any movement of Ms. Stauch outside the EPC Jail to medical/treatment facilities is considered a high-risk transport due to the high-profile nature of her case, and more importantly her attempted escape while in custody.

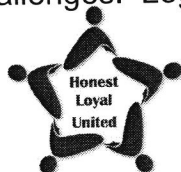
Evaluation Completed CMHIP in Pueblo

This is the preferred option for EPSO. It is least impactful to Detention operations and staffing and incurs the lowest cost of billable items. CMHIP is a routine location for members of EPSO to conduct transports of inmates for care/evaluations.

Mileage	78.4 miles x \$0.565	\$44.29
Staff Hours	6 x \$60.93 x 3.5hrs	\$1279.53
Total		\$1323.82

Evaluation Completed at the EPC Jail

Bringing outside medical personnel into the EPC Jail to conduct the necessary evaluation of Ms. Stauch presents challenges. Logistical matters addressing clearance



and access for outside medical professionals would need to be managed but is easily done with proper coordination.

Of operational concern is the Medical Section is an active environment with many duties to complete, namely providing medical care and observation of inmates housed in the area or those coming to the section to be seen. Having outside, additional personnel in the area for a period of 72-hours, thus increasing the footprint of persons in an already active area could be disruptive to ongoing operations. To compound those concerns would be any medical emergencies in the section which require additional assets (Fire Department, AMR) to populate the area to assist; these emergencies are not uncommon.

Lastly, due to the nature of the equipment described as part of the testing for Ms. Stauch, and the increased risk to her safety, it would be necessary for the Security Division to assign a deputy to conduct one-on-one observation of Ms. Stauch for the duration of the event.

Staff Hours	1 x \$60.93 x 72hrs	\$4386.96
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Evaluation Completed at an Outside Facility (other than CMHIP)

If the medical testing were done at a facility other than CMHIP, such as Memorial Hospital, there would be a significant strain on security resources since security would have to remain in place for the duration of time Ms. Stauch was outside the EPC Jail. It also is the scenario which creates the greatest risk to staff and custody concerns of Ms. Stauch due to numerous uncontrolled variables.

Staffing for transport and on-site security would be determined and would be facility-dependent, but for the sake of cost estimation, UC Health Memorial Hospital has been used as an example as it is most familiar to EPSO personnel.

Mileage	10.8 miles x \$0.565	\$6.10
Staff Hours for Transport	6 x \$60.93 x 2.0hrs	\$731.16

Staff Hours for Scene Security	3 x \$60.93 x 72hrs	\$13,160.88
Total		\$13,898.14

EPSO remains committed to the safety and security of persons housed at the EPC Jail. I am confident in the staff's ability to work through challenges associated with the options listed above. For the safety and security of all involved, my position/preference, and that of my staff, is for the medical evaluation/testing for Ms. Stauch be conducted at CMHIP.

JSK/jk