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Dear Safety Committee Members,

I am writing in response to the "Town of Charlotte Scope of Police Services Requested" letter approved by the Select board on May 19, 2014.

While I feel that the Vermont State Police will be able to perform up to your expectations I am concerned about #1 and #4 of your listed expectations. The Vermont State Police must ultimately retain the right to schedule and manage Troopers shifts. I will not be in a position to order Troopers to work overtime at specific times. It has been my experience that our Troopers and the assigned Town contract liaison Trooper have worked with Towns to accommodate requests as best able to include specific requested work times, locations, and priorities.

In our original bid, I committed to 60 hours of service a month as the maximum amount of service available. This decision was based on assessment of staffing and other commitments. I cannot guarantee more than 60 hours a month.

Finally, concerning expectation #7, to the extent permissible by law and with the understanding that the Vermont State Police is not involved in the collection of fines or the transfer of fines from the Judicial Bureau to municipalities, Troopers whose time is being billed to the Town of Charlotte will code any ticket written such that the applicable fines will be accessible by the Town of Charlotte.

Respectfully,

Lt. James Whitcomb
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