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RE: Andrew Collamore; DCI # 25-6675

Dear Special Agent Yerges:

Thank you and your fellow Special Agents for your excellent work on this investigation. I reviewed the reports, the officers' squad videos, Officer Bonjean's body camera footage, the scene and evidence photos, and the CAD information. It is clear that the officers were justified in using deadly force to respond to the deadly force that was threatened against them. The two Marinette Police Officers and Sheriff Miller responded with professionalism and in accordance with their training and proper legal standards in the midst of an extremely difficult circumstance.

I base this conclusion on the physical evidence, the squad videos and body camera footage, interviews with the officers involved and other officers who responded to the scene. According to the officers' statements and the CAD information, Officer De Los Santos and Officer Bonjean were notified that a vehicle associated with a recent homicide in Dane County was present in the Marinette area. Officers were given the license plate number for the suspect vehicle. Officer De Los Santos spotted the suspect vehicle, and he waited for a back-up officer before attempting a traffic stop. Once Officer Bonjean was nearby, Officer De Los Santos turned on his lights and siren to try to perform a traffic stop on Highway 41 on the outskirts of Marinette. The suspect vehicle then accelerated and began driving at very high speeds down the highway, even going in between cars traveling in the southbound lanes of Highway 41. Based on the squad videos and the CAD information, the suspect vehicle reached speeds of 105 m.p.h. Sheriff Miller of the Marinette County Sheriff's Office deployed spike strips; however, the suspect vehicle avoided the strips, but then spun out and rolled across the median and the northbound lanes of traffic.

Officer Bonjean and Officer De Los Santos approached the driver's side of the suspect vehicle and ordered the suspect to show his hands, but the suspect would not show his right hand, which was near his waistband. The suspect then exited the vehicle out the passenger door. The officers followed the suspect and saw that he had a folding knife/boxcutter in his right hand. Officers repeatedly told the suspect to drop the knife. Officer Bonjean's body camera footage captured the suspect saying that he had a knife and also referring to Area 51. Officers continued to tell the suspect to drop the knife, and Officer Bonjean told the suspect to talk to the officers. The suspect



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made a comment that "[y]ou were supposed to execute me." Officer Bonjean again told the suspect to drop the knife and that officers wanted to talk to him. Sheriff Miller had joined the officers at this point, and he approached with a taser. The suspect continued to walk away from officers; however, he then turned and ran/lunged toward Officer De Los Santos with the knife in his hands. Both Officer De Los Santos and Officer Bonjean discharged their firearms, and Sheriff Miller deployed his taser. The suspect, Andrew Collamore, died as a result of his injuries.

The video evidence of the shooting matches the officers' accounts. The video from Officer Bonjean's squad camera showed the high-speed pursuit and showed that officers repeatedly tried to get Mr. Collamore to drop the knife and talk to officers. Mr. Collamore ignored their commands and walked away from officers. He then ran/lunged towards Officer De Los Santos with the knife in his hand. At that time, fearing for their safety, the officers shot Mr. Collamore, and he died as a result of his injuries. Also significant is that the knife was located in Mr. Collamore's right hand.

Your agency did an exceptional job investigating this incident and processing all the evidence. All the proper protocols were followed. Thank you, again, for your outstanding work. By copy of this letter, I am advising Chief LaCombe that I consider this matter closed.

Sincerely,


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cc: Chief Jon LaCombe (via hand-delivery and email)
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