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MEMORANDUM TO: Marc Bedard

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Subject: Revised Police Section 21 Committee Guidance Note #6:

Hazards in Clandestine Drug Labs and Illegal Marijuana Grow Operations.

The Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee (OPHSC) is appointed by the Minister under Section 21 of the Occupational Health and Safety Act for the purpose of advising the Minister and making recommendations on occupational health and safety issues that affect police personnel across Ontario.

The OPHSC has revised GN #6: Hazards in Clandestine Drug Labs and Illegal Marijuana Grow Operations to enhance the information on risk assessments and to include reference to CAN/CGSB/CSA-Z1640-18 Personal protective equipment (PPE) for investigating and dismantling clandestine drug laboratories.

The Ministry of Labour, Training, Skills and Development is seeking the continued support of SOLGEN in raising awareness of health and safety issues by distributing the attached guidance note to police personnel at all levels within the policing community.

Yours sincerely,

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