I, Patrick Plant, declare:

- 1. I am the Department of Justice Administrator I for the Department of Justice, Bureau of Firearms, Customer Support Center (CSC). It is part of my responsibility to manage and oversee staff members that receive phone calls regarding application submissions through the California Firearms Application Reporting System (CFARS). One of the application types submitted through CFARS is the Assault Weapon Registration (AWR) application.
- 2. The AWR application contains several required fields that are submitted for review through CFARS to BOF staff members performing the mandatory analysis in order to conduct background verification.
- 3. One of the required fields is regarding the firearm acquisition date, where the applicant is required to provide the date that the firearm was acquired.
- 4. The CSC has received calls from AWR applicants who asked how they should fill out the application if they did not have the exact date that they acquired the firearm they intended to register. I have directed the CSC to advise those callers that they may provide a best-estimated date for review in the required date field.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at Sacramento, California on: November 2, 2017