



SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Right-To-Know Response

12/13/2019

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Dear Mr. Maass or to whom it may concern at MuckRock News,

I am acknowledging receipt of your email dated 12/10/2019, on the Subject: **RE: Pennsylvania Right to Know Act Request: Vigilant Data Sharing Information - 2018 - Assignment Submission (Southern Chester County Regional Police Department)**, in which you request the following:

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Act, I hereby request the following records:

- 1) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares ALPR data;*
- 2) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives ALPR data;*
- 3) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares "hot list" information;*
- 4) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives "hot list" information;*

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system.

We further request the following records

The aggregate number of "detections" (i.e. license plate scans and associated data) collected during 2016.

The aggregate number of detections collected during 2017.

The aggregate number of detections collected during 2018.

The aggregate number of "hits" (i.e. times that a plate on a hotlist was detected) during 2016.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2017.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2018.

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system.

We are unable to fulfill your request due to “Non-Possession” of the requested information. To wit; this agency does NOT use “Vigilant” brand ALPR products nor do we use “LEARN” so we are unable to provide the information requested.

Further, a written request, either on our agency’s official Right-to-Know Request Form available at www.sccrprd.org or the Standard Right-to-Know Request Form available at <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov/> is the only recognized form in which to make a request. An email request to a general department email account is not acceptable. MuckRock News is aware of this requirement, as it was one of several reasons for the denial of a RTK Request, on an unrelated matter in November of 2019. As such, future requests made via email will be denied as invalid.

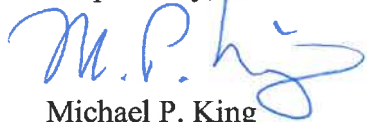
If you interpret this response for “Non-Possession” as a denial, you have a right to appeal it in writing to: Office of Open Records, 333 Market St., 16th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2234. Appeals can also be filed online at the Office of Open Records website, <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>.

For denials of criminal records of a local agency: You have a right to appeal this denial in writing to Michael Noone, (Acting) District Attorney, 201 W. Market St., Suite 4450, West Chester, PA 19380-09089.

If you choose to file an appeal you must do so within 15 business days of the mailing date of the agency’s response. See 65 P.S. § 67.1101. Please note that a copy of your original Right-to-Know request and this denial letter must be included when filing an appeal. More information about how to file an appeal under the Right-to-Know Law is available at the Office of Open Records website, <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>.

If you have additional questions, please contact myself, Deputy Chief Michael P. King. This correspondence will serve to close this record with our office as permitted by law.

Respectfully,



Michael P. King

Deputy Chief

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