

Vermont Department of Health Laboratory
Organic Chemistry Program
Memorandum

To: Vermont States Attorney's

From: Kirk L. Kimball Organic Chemistry Program Chief

Date: October 20, 2011

Re: DataMaster DMT Vermont Software and recertification

This letter is to inform you that the State of Vermont Department of Health Laboratories Alcohol section accepted the C-sharp version of the DataMaster DMT user software as of September 9, 2011. All DataMaster DMTs will be upgraded to this new programming language during a recertification of the instruments at the manufacturer. An attachment to this letter includes the full detailed list of changes. Please note that there were no changes to the quantitative or qualitative algorithms used by the instruments.

The recertification by the manufacture and subsequent return of the instruments to the VDHL will result in the instruments being put through a testing protocol similar to the pre-deployment testing done initially. Each instrument redeployed into the field will have an electronic copy of all testing data, sent to Stuart Schurr for distribution as it becomes available. The redeployment will be done by county. The process will be all instruments in a county will be removed before replacement with recertified instruments. The order of such replacement is being done at the discretion of the organic chemistry program chief. This redeployment, I hope, will cause no disruption in the availability of DataMaster DMT instrumentation in any county. As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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