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Ethan Fry and the Valley Independent Sentinel, Complainant(s) against

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2016-0071

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,

August 17, 2016

Respondent(s)

Transmittal of Proposed Final Decision

In accordance with Section 4-179 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Freedom of Information Commission hereby transmits to you the proposed finding and decision prepared by the hearing officer in the above-captioned matter.

This will notify you that the Commission will consider this matter for disposition at its meeting which will be held in the Freedom of Information Commission Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, lst floor, Hartford, Connecticut, at **2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.** At that time and place you will be allowed to offer oral argument concerning this proposed finding and order. Oral argument shall be limited to ten (10) minutes. For good cause shown, however, the Commission may increase the period of time for argument. A request for additional time must be made in writing and should be filed with the Commission *ON OR BEFORE September 2, 2016.* Such request **MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, and (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives.**

Although a brief or memorandum of law is not required, if you decide to submit such a document, an <u>original and fourteen (14) copies</u> must be filed *ON OR BEFORE September 2*, 2016. PLEASE NOTE: Any correspondence, brief or memorandum directed to the Commissioners by any party or representative of any party MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives and (3) be limited to argument. NO NEW EVIDENCE MAY BE SUBMITTED.

If you have already filed a brief or memorandum with the hearing officer and wish to have that document distributed to each member of the Commission, it is requested that <u>fifteen (15)</u> <u>copies</u> be filed *ON OR BEFORE September 2, 2016*, and that <u>notice be given to all parties or if the parties are represented, to their representatives, that such previously filed document is being submitted to the Commissioners for review.</u>

By Order of the Freedom of Information Commission

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Acting Clerk of the Commission

Notice to: Ethan Fry and the Valley Independent Sentinel Assistant Attorney General Stephen R. Sarnoski

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In The Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

Ethan Fry and The Valley Independent Sentinel,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2016-0071

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,

Respondents

August 5, 2016

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on May 18, 2016, at which time the complainants and the respondents appeared, stipulated to certain facts and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint.

During the hearing on this matter, the parties reached an agreement that settled the matter and by letter dated July 25, 2016 the complainants indicated that they wished to withdraw their complaint. The Commission takes administrative notice of such letter.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

Attorney Tracie C. Brown

as Hearing Officer

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