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Dear Stephen

I refer to your Official Information Act request received by Police on 30 July 2013 in which you asked for the following information about the On-line Community Roadwatch reporting system.

- a) *when the Police can identify a driver and offence in a report sent through Community Roadwatch, how is the driver contacted?*

The On-line Community Roadwatch reporting system does not necessarily identify the driver of the vehicle the report was received about, the intended use is to identify the registered owner of the vehicle. A letter outlining the incident is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle. The letter asks that if the registered owner was not the driver at the time they bring the matter to the driver's attention.

- b) *can you provide a sample of what the form letter looks like, if it is by letter, or guidance/script if it is by phone call or in person?*

A copy of the letter sent to the registered owner of the vehicle is attached.

- c) *does the procedure or form of contact change for drivers who have been reported repeatedly?*

The procedure does not change for registered vehicle owners who are reported on numerous occasions. There is a process in place for Police to initiate alternative types of interventions where high risk behaviours or a pattern of behaviours are identified.

Yours sincerely


Inspector Peter McKennie
Acting National Manager Road Policing

Community Roadwatch Programme Report:

An incident has been reported to the Community Roadwatch Programme by a member of the public. Records indicate that you are the owner of a, registration number

It is alleged that on atAM your vehicle was seen
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The person who witnessed the incident was sufficiently alarmed by the driving to report the matter to Police. This person perceived that the way your vehicle was being driven at the time was not safe.

If you were not the driver at the time, we would ask that you bring this matter to the driver's attention.

The Community Roadwatch Programme is designed to informally deal with driving complaints resulting in no formal action being taken. However, should Police receive a formal complaint in respect of this driving incident, the matter may be investigated with a view to charges being laid against the driver.

Community Roadwatch Co-ordinator
for Officer in Charge: Police Infringement Bureau