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Mr. Larry Flanagan, Jr.
President
New York State Correctional Officers &
Police Benevolent Association, Inc.
102 Hackett Boulevard
Albany, New York 12209

Dear Mr. Flanagan:

This is in response to your letter of July 3, 2007 regarding NYSCOPBA's concern for its members impacted by the June 16, 2007 administration of the Correction Lieutenant examination.

The New York State Department of Civil Service is committed to the administration of a fair and equitable examination process leading to the timely establishment of the eligible list. The Department is taking the steps necessary to complete the testing process for Correction Lieutenant and is developing new simulation questions for this examination. Our goal is to hold the simulation portion of the examination on January 12, 2008. Candidates will be notified in writing once the test date is confirmed.

The current Correction Lieutenant eligible list will be extended in accordance with Civil Service Law §56 on the basis that a restriction against the filling of vacancies existed during the life of the eligible list. The Department will extend the existing eligible list until the establishment of the new eligible list in early 2008 so the Department of Correctional Services may continue making permanent appointments to vacant Correction Lieutenant positions.

The Department sincerely regrets the problem that was encountered by your members during the administration of the Correction Lieutenant examination. We are working diligently with staff from the Department of Correctional Services to expedite the completion of the examination process for Correction Lieutenant, and establish an eligible list as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Nancy G. Groenwegen
Commissioner