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OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER
THOMAS P. DINAPOLI
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Honorable Thomas DiNapoli
Comptroller
110 State Street
Albany, New York 12236

Dear Mr. DiNapoli:

In accordance with Section 170 of the Executive Law, this is our 90-day response showing the actions taken to address the recommendation contained in the State Comptroller's Audit Report on Compliance with the Clery Act, State University of New York System Administration (2013-S-70). Our specific comments to the recommendations follow.

Recommendation 1: Take steps to enhance compliance with the Clery Act, including but not limited to:

- Provide a checklist to assist SUNY colleges in preparing ASRs, including all required policy and procedures statements and reporting requirements.

Response: The DoE has issued The Handbook for Campus Crime Reporting. The handbook includes a checklist that outlines all required policy and reporting requirements. The handbook is available electronically and the information therein has been provided to campuses and discussed at training events.

- Periodically compare statistics between the ASR and the DoE website as priorities and resources allow, and follow up with colleges to correct discrepancies.

Response: The Office of the University Police will continue the process to periodically compare a sample of campuses' statistics between the ASR and the DoE website as priorities and resources allow, and follow up with campuses to correct discrepancies.

- Have the University Auditor perform more audits of SUNY colleges' compliance with the Clery Act as priorities and resources allow.

Response: The University Auditor conducts a detailed annual risk assessment which includes consideration for Clery Act compliance audits. The University Auditor will conduct Clery Act audits as priorities and resources allow.

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- Revise SUNY Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Reporting procedures to define the extent of the required ASR review.

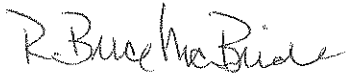
Response: SUNY believes the procedure, as written, is adequate and provides flexibility to allow the Office of the University Police the ability to make the most effective use of its time, while conducting high level, holistic reviews of Clery Act compliance.

Recommendation 2: Investigate and correct any errors and discrepancies in the ASR and DoE statistics identified in this report to ensure compliance with the Clery Act.

Response: SUNY System Administration has worked with campuses to investigate and correct any errors and discrepancies on the ASR and DoE statistics identified in the report.

If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact me at 518-320-1502.

Sincerely,



R. Bruce McBride
Commissioner for University Police

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