



# West Norriton Township Police Department

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Mitchell Lazarus  
Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC  
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Dear Mr. Lazarus,

I am writing this letter regarding the "Garage Door Overmaster." This device can remotely open a garage during high risk police or tactical operations, such as hostage rescue, when entry into a stronghold to save lives would require stealth or speed and other breach points would not be feasible. Currently the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, along with the Scientific Applications International Corporation and the Technical Support Working Group, are attempting to build this device. This device would not only save the lives of innocent people as well as law enforcement officers, it would also limit the damage done to personal property. If law enforcement personnel must breach a stronghold and are confronted with a locked door, the current methods available are either a ram or an explosives breach, both of which cause extensive damage to property. With the "Garage Door Overmaster" entry could be made with no damage to property.

To operate this device a Waiver is required from the FCC to permit the device to operate for more than a few seconds. We are in total support of this waiver and feel there would be no negative impact by its use. This device would only be used by law enforcement personnel when other methods of entry were not feasible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael A. Kelly".

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