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To Whom It May Concern:

Legal Base for Disclosure of Confidential Information:

When a person responsible for a child (PRFC) has been criminally charged with a child's death, Oklahoma State Statute, Title 10A §1-6-105, allows release of certain information within three (3) years of the child's death that would otherwise be confidential. The following information is a summary of the involvement of the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS), Child Welfare (CW), regarding, a child born. Disclosure of the identity of reporters of abuse, parents or other persons responsible for the child, other than those criminally charged, is prohibited by law and is therefore not included in this summary.

Criminal Charges:

On February 10, 2011 Christopher Lee Dunham Sr. and Stephanie Mae Dunham were both charged with Felony Child Neglect in the Oklahoma District Court in connection with the deaths of Christopher Lee Dunham Jr., a child born January 5, 2006, Crystal Ann Dunham, a child born January 22, 2007, and Kayla May Webb, a child born March 19, 2009.

Child Death or Near Death Investigation by OKDHS:

On January 5, 2011, OKDHS received a report that three children were deceased as a result of a motor home fire in Del City, Oklahoma on January 4, 2011. The investigation in connection with Christopher, Crystal, and Kayla's death is on-going.

Other Investigations within three years of the Child Death or Near Death:

OKDHS has had five prior reports concerning Christopher Dunham Jr., Crystal Dunham, and/or Kayla Webb in the three years preceding their deaths in the home of their parents.

On April 17, 2008 OKDHS received a report of physical abuse to Christopher Dunham Jr. by his father; Christopher Dunham Sr. It was alleged Christopher had a knot on his head as a result of being pushed down by his father. The report was Screened Out due to further information being received that there were no injuries to Christopher noted by law enforcement and/or Children's Hospital.

On October 13, 2009 OKDHS received a report alleging substance abuse, hitting and exposure to domestic violence. The children were reportedly present during a physical altercation between Christopher Dunham and Stephanie Webb, now Dunham. Ms. Webb was reportedly abusing illegal drugs and allegedly struck Crystal, resulting in injury. Ms. Webb claimed Mr. Dunham struck her in the face with an elbow resulting in a bruise; however, Mr. Dunham claimed it was an accident. Ms. Webb filed for a protective order (PO 2009-2735) against Mr. Dunham on 10/09/09. Mr. Dunham and Ms. Webb still admitted to seeing each other, but stated they are not together. Ms. Webb denied any current substance abuse and Mr. Dunham reported to have been clean for 4 months. The children had no visible injuries and reported no abuse. Collaterals reported having no concerns for Ms. Webb abusing drugs, but did have concerns in regards to Mr. Dunham's temper. The finding of the investigation was Unsubstantiated-Services Recommended.

On November 13, 2009 OKDHS received a report alleging Christopher, Crystal, and Kayla were being left in the care of an inappropriate caretaker by their mother, Stephanie (Webb) Dunham. An assessment of child safety was completed. Ms. Dunham denied leaving the children with the identified inappropriate caretaker and claimed either herself or another relative who lived upstairs was always present when this person was around the children. The children appeared healthy and functioning according to age. It was recommended that the children be supervised by a responsible adult when in this home.

On June 25, 2010 OKDHS received a report alleging Exposure to Domestic Violence to Christopher, Crystal, and Kayla by Christopher and Stephanie Dunham. The report alleged they knew there was a history of domestic violence between Mr. and Ms. Dunham but did not report any specific incidents and did not report the children were present or had been injured during the alleged incidents. The reporter was basing the information off of previous history between the mother and father and the father's attitude and behavior prior to calling in the report. This report was Screened Out as there were no specific allegations of child abuse and/or child neglect.

On September 17, 2010 OKDHS received a report alleging Sexual Abuse to Crystal Dunham by her father, Christopher Dunham. Following an investigation, a finding of "Unsubstantiated-Services Recommended" was made based on the lack of any evidence following a medical exam, a lack of any disclosures following a forensic interview and there were no additional safety concerns stated or found upon completion of the Assessment of Child Safety.

Other investigations within one year after the Child Death or Near Death:
None.

Prior Court Involvement and Recommendations Made:
None.