OHIO BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CALEA REACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT

The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) will undergo a four-day, on-site evaluation to ensure compliance with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies’ (CALEA) accreditation standards. A team of CALEA assessors will conduct an on-site assessment at BCI from March 21-24, 2016. This assessment includes a dedicated public call-in session and in-person hearing, which will occur as detailed below.

In order to maintain its current accredited status, BCI must comply with 484 applicable professional standards. While on site, the assessors will review agency policies and practices, interview personnel, and observe operations.

As part of the assessment, agency employees and the general public are invited to offer comments regarding BCI by telephone. The public may call (740) 845-0979 on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Telephone comments are limited to 10 minutes and must directly address BCI’s ability to comply with CALEA standards. An overview of CALEA standards can be found on CALEA’s Website at www.calea.org.

There is also an opportunity for the public to take part in an in-person hearing with the assessors located at BCI in London at 1560 State Route 56 SW, London, Ohio 43140. This hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The CALEA assessment team is composed of public safety and law enforcement practitioners from out-of-state agencies. BCI originally became accredited through CALEA in 1998. All CALEA-accredited agencies are reassessed every three years.

For more information about BCI, please visit: www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/BCI