Officer Statement of Amy Acheson

On Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at approximately 12:40pm, Bylaw Officer Amy ACHESON was working in full uniform in the 1900 Block of Store Street in Victoria, B.C. ACHESON was working in partnership with Bylaw Officer Cheryl SMITH. ACHESON was to attend 1924 Store Street, which is the business location of I-Tow Towing Group and hand deliver a Notice of Inspection to a Manager or the business Owner Mr. John MUELLER.

ACHESON did a visual scan of the surrounding buildings and fencing, looking for the address 1924 Store Street or the business name I-Tow Towing Group. ACHESON could not find any indicators that I-Tow Towing Group was in the vicinity. According to ACHESON's GPS map, she was in the right location at 1924 Store Street.

ACHESON and SMITH walked over to a nearby building and ACHESON knocked on the door. ACHESON was met by a Capital Iron employee who introduced himself by the name of Kyle. ACHESON asked Kyle if he knew where the I-Tow Towing Group facility was located. Kyle told ACHESON that I-Tow Towing Group previously used a fenced yard behind Capital Iron, and pointed in the direction of the water. ACHESON asked if Kyle would mind pointing out the I-Tow Towing Group yard.

ACHESON followed Kyle toward the water and observed a grey chain link fence with barbed wire at the top. Kyle pointed to the empty fenced space and said "this is where ITOW was". Kyle then went on to explain to ACHESON that I-Tow Towing Group was leasing the space and the lease agreement expired at the end of June 2021. Kyle elaborated and said I-Tow Towing Group moved out of the space a couple weeks ago. ACHESON asked Kyle if he knew where I-Tow Towing Group went and he said he did not.

ACHESON thanked Kyle for his help and took a timestamped photograph of the empty yard.

ACHESON and SMITH left the area of 1924 Store Street and took no further action on this file on this date.

Amy Acheson