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Press Release

In a continuing quest for law enforcement excellence, the Bristol Tennessee Police Department is scheduled for an on-site accreditation assessment during the week of March 13-16, 2016 to verify that the department meets the state-of-the-art professional standards set forth by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).

The assessment is part of a voluntary program which requires agencies to comply in four basic areas: policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session Monday, March 14, 2016, at 6:00 PM. The session will be conducted at the City Council Chamber located in the Slater Center at 325 McDowell Street.

Anyone wishing to make comments and cannot attend the public hearing is invited to offer comments by calling **(423) 213-4228** on Monday, March 14, 2016, between the hours of 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Comments will be taken by the Assessment Team.

Telephone comments and appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA's standards. A copy of the standards is available at 801 Anderson Street. Local contact is Lieutenant Keith Feathers at 423-989-3409.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Bristol Tennessee Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320 Gainesville, Virginia 20155.

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