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Joseph E. LaCroix
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Via Fax & Regular Mail
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RE: Firefighter Richard Busa

Dear Mr. Pawa:

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 2, 2009 regarding Firefighter Richard Busa. I understand that Firefighter Busa has obtained, at no expense to the Newton Fire Department, a regulation helmet. In light of these circumstances and the fact that the Newton Fire Department does not need to purchase a new helmet, Firefighter Busa may keep his old non-regulation helmet.

Please be advised that while Firefighter Busa may keep his old non-regulation helmet, he may not use or wear the helmet for any firefighter duties, and he may not maintain or keep the helmet on any City of Newton property. During working hours, only regulation clothing and equipment may be worn/used/maintained.

Very Truly Yours,

Chief Joseph E. LaCroix

CC: Mayor David B. Cohen
Donnalyn Kahn, Assistant City Solicitor
Board of Aldermen