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The Missouri Division of Fire Safety has been using Computer Voice Stress Analyzers for several years and has found the instrument to be of great value in various types of investigations. Although the major emphasis of our work involves fire and explosion investigations, our six certified operators are frequently asked to assist other law enforcement agencies throughout the state. They have assisted with crimes ranging from homicides to internal investigations with great success.

Of course, the CVSA is no value without trained competent examiners. The training that NITV provided with the instruments more than adequately prepared our investigators for its use and interpretation.

As with such investigative tools, the importance of performing thorough interviews with proper techniques cannot be overemphasized. The use of the CVSA enhances this aspect of investigations by allowing the examiners to visually show suspects the deception they attempted to commit.

Sincerely,

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