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November 12, 2014

Joseph Foster, Attorney General
NH Department of Justice
33 Capitol Street
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Dear Mr. Foster,

In accordance with NH RSA 30-B:12 the Belknap County Commissioners conducted an inspection of the correctional facility today.

We found no managerial deficiencies or concerns.

The condition of the jail has been somewhat improved. We've been able to repair some of the exhaust fans, get the HVAC control system working, painted some of the units, eradicated some mold, and replaced some of the locks that weren't working. We are seeking funding to replace the HVAC system in the next budget. It is our intention to continue planning for a new facility and we are seeking an appropriation for schematic design in the 2015 budget. We still have a list of repairs and improvements that need to be addressed and we will get to them as funding allows.

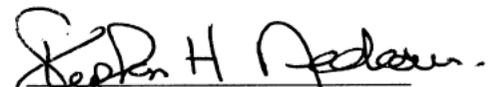
There are no concerns regarding the condition of the inmates, although overcrowding and general facility issues are impacting inmates.

We have significant concern with our ability to meet the compliance standards required by PREA. It is our intention to implement to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,
Belknap County Commissioners:


John H. Thomas, Chairman

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April 17, 2014

Joseph Foster, Attorney General
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Dear Mr. Foster,

In accordance with NH RSA 30-B:12 the Belknap County Commissioners conducted an inspection of the correctional facility on April 16, 2014.

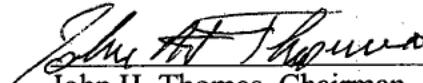
We found no managerial deficiencies or concerns. We are particularly proud of the GED program. Although space is extremely limited, we have documented significant success for the inmates who are able to take advantage of this as well as many other programs.

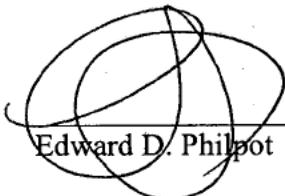
The condition of the jail is much the same as our last report. Water leaks, mildew, and regulating the air temperature are the primary concerns that we hope to address this year. We are seeking funding to replace the HVAC system. It is our intention to continue planning for a new facility and we are currently considering temporary housing alternatives. Our Community Corrections Planning Committee is active and continues to meet twice per month.

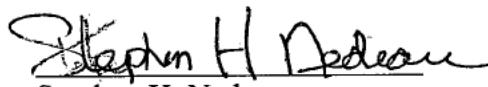
There are no concerns regarding the condition of the inmates, although overcrowding continues to be an issue. We have had to board many of our inmates out at other county facilities.

We have significant concern with our ability to meet the compliance standards required by PREA. It is our intention to implement to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,
Belknap County Commissioners:


John H. Thomas, Chairman


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