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Attn: Gordon MacDonald, Attorney General

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Re: Sullivan County DOC Compliance Tour - RSA 30-B:12

Dear Attorney General MacDonald:

Pursuant to RSA 30-B:12, please allow this letter to serve as the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners' (BOC) written report on its tour of the Sullivan County Department of Corrections (SCDOC).

On Monday, March 19, 2018, a tour of SCDOC Community Corrections Center and jail was conducted by Commissioners Jeffrey Barrette, Bennie Nelson and George Hebert, myself, our Facilities Director Mary Bourque, and Superintendent David Berry Jr. and found all to be in good order. I've attached Supt. Berry's notes that were approved at the BOC at their meeting yesterday.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thanks very much.

Sincerely, -

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RE: Sullivan County Department of Corrections Tour – RSA 30-B:12 Monday, March 19, 2018 – Sullivan County, NH DOC Compliance Tour Notes

Attendees: Commissioners Jeffrey Barrette, Bennie Nelson and George Hebert; County Manager Derek Ferland; Facilities Director Mary Bourque; DOC Superintendent Dave Berry; and Cynthia Nelson, public citizen.

The facility inspection began at 2:05 p.m. in the Community Correction Center (CCC) Administrative area. This area was found to be in very good condition. There was a discussion about replacing the carpet squares in the hallways. The project should be completed by the summer of 2018. The inspection continued to the lower level of the CCC. The male treatment, flex and work release areas are all in good condition and had been repainted in the fall of 2017. The male flex door frame has been repaired and the tools have been purchased to keep the doors and hinges straight and functioning properly. The stainless-steel showers continue to hold up nicely and are much easier to keep clean than tile. The dish area floor in the cafeteria is dry and the floor is holding up well under constant use. The washers and dryers in the laundry area are working well and the area is neat and orderly. On the female treatment side of the CCC all areas have been freshly painted and are in good condition. The high crack on the wall in the CCC women's hallway from the settling of the building has remained the same size. The gym area is in excellent condition and the acoustic tiles have eliminated excess noise and the area is now used for treatment classes including mindfulness.

Unit 1 is in very good condition and has been painted within the past six months. A sink in the bathroom is still cracked but it's in good working order and does not leak. The floors are clean, polished and there is no cracking in any areas.

Unit 2 is in good condition and hand rails have been added to cell B for disabled offenders. The ceiling security grid will be installed in 2018 for an added level of security.

Unit 3 remains in good condition with some paint peeling on the cell bars. The older locking system is still working well, and maintenance has been trained to repair the system. This unit will be painted in the fall of 2018. The DVR in this unit is now connected to the rest of the recording system and is no longer a standalone system.

The cameras, intercoms and locking systems are working well throughout the facility and the DVR upgrades have increased coverage from seven days to almost eighty in most areas.

We briefly discussed a future Unit 3 lock and door upgrade project as well as the addition of three observation cells for probation and parole setbacks. This project would include an increase to the medical/nursing area and a true medical observation cell. The inspection concluded at 2:45 p.m.

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