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1 Physical security was inadequate because gun towers. (fence alarms) electronic door systems, lighting, and communication systems were inoperable.

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- 2. Correctional staff were not adequately trained armed to supervise the potentially dangerous inmate population.
- 3. Very little information was known about the inmate population's criminal history (no classification).
- 4. Contraband drugs and weapons were present.
- 5 High-risk inmates were not segregated from other inmates.
- 6. There were no adequate maintenance and repair programs.
- 7. Inhate living conditions were unsafe and unsanitary.
- 8. Criminal gangs were in control of the facility.
- ·} . Correctional staff were allowed to sleep in gun towers.
- 10. No equipment, training nor useful plans existed to manage a prison emergency.
- 11. Inmates had access to the existing computer system and sabotaged it.
- 12. Inmates had access to employee records.
- 13. Inmates had exercised control over some administrators.
- 14. Tool control was substandard.
- 15. Correctional officers and other staff morale was low.
- 16. Policy and procedures were basically nonexistent.
- 17. Inmates had tunnels to move from cell to cell.
- 18. Cells had wire mesh instead of bars.
- 19. Security doors were rusted in many places.
- 20. Security keys were worn and inoperable.
- 21. Emergency generators were not properly maintained.
- 22. Food service was substandard.

- 23. The Bureau of Corrections had not complied with the Court ordered Consent Decree.
- 24. There was a lack of procedures to properly account for offender population.
- 25. Foor documentation and record keeping were existent.
- 26. Visits between immates and family were not properly supervised.
- 27. Visitors were not properly screened prior to entering the facility.
- 28. "Blind spots" existed which prohibit proper security along the fence.
 - 29. Inmate population had civilian clothing which was not regulated.
 - 30. Some inmates were allowed "free" run of the community without proper supervision.
 - 31. Work Release regulations were not constant with community expectations and sound correctional practice.
 - 32. Some inmates were supervising other inmates without employees present.
 - 33. Electrical wiring was exposed and energized.
 - 34. Inmates with mental problems were mixed with general population.
 - 35. The Front Gate, Control Room, and Back Gate were not secured
- 36. The Grounds had tall grass and were not properly maintained.
- 37. Medical health system was substandard.