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April 18, 2016 (Notice of Completion of WHV Physical Plant Improvements)

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Re:

Notice of Completion of Women's Huron Valley Physical Plant

Improvements

Dear Mellie and Susan:

Consistent with our most recent discussions on April 13, 2016 regarding the completion of the physical plant modifications at Women's Huron Valley, I am providing this letter and the included CD with photo links to demonstrate the agreed upon improvements or modifications. The CD evidences completion of the DOJ's recommendations and includes links to the completed modifications. I am sending the CD to Assistant U.S. Attorney Susan DeClercq as we agreed and she is to forward the CD to Mellie Nelson.

Physical Plant Improvements

The physical plant improvements are described in the updated physical plant grid. Included with this letter (Attachment A) are instructions on how to open the document. Functionally, all of the grids on the Excel spreadsheet included in the CD have photo links showing the modifications referenced in the grid.

The tabs on the grid spread sheet indicate the location for each project item. The tabs are colored to indicate areas where the renovations are complete (green), where the work has started but is not yet complete (yellow), and where the work has not yet begun (black). All of the tabs are now green. The main page on the grid includes a Tab Title list and the corresponding spreadsheet cell item numbers.

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The cell item numbers are color-coded using the same color indicators as used for the tabs. A green cell item number indicates the renovation in that cell item has been completed. A yellow cell item number indicates the work on that item has begun, but is not yet complete. And a black cell item number indicates the item has not yet begun.

By comparing the color coding for the spreadsheet cells on the face page of the current grid with the grid from May 30, 2014, you will note that the remaining items that MDOC agreed to complete have now been completed.

Conclusion

The MDOC and the Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility committed to fulfill their access improvement projects and have completed those projects as described above and in the MDOC's letter to you of December 18, 2013, which was accepted by the DOJ as evidenced in your letter of June 16, 2014. We trust that after reviewing the attached grid and photo confirmations, you will consider the physical plant improvement portion of your investigation resolved.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General

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cc: Daphne M. Johnson, Administrator, OLA

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