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May 17, 2005

E.J. Hurst II P.O. Box 1687 Lexington, Kentucky 40588-1687

RE: Request for Records, Request No. 2005-03244 FCC Victorville

Dear Mr. Hurst:

This is to acknowledge your revised request, dated May 9, 2005, for copies of videotapes, supplements, rosters, training records, duty logs, special housing reports, medical staff documents, medical reports, psychological records, and names of recruitment attendees. We understand your request is now limited to records of operations at the USP Victorville, and the FCI Victorville II.

Your renewed request for waiver of fees is under review. If a waiver is not granted, you will be advised of the estimated cost of your revised request. Please be advised that once the question of fees is resolved, we will make every effort to retrieve these records in a timely manner.

This letter also acknowledges the receipt of your letter dated April 22, 2005, with attached copy of your April 20 report regarding FCC Victorville to the Commission on Safety and Abuse in America's Prisons. In this report, you allege that a certain inmate, referred to only as "Smith," was mistreated by prison staff. This prisoner was not identified by name, nor were any of the staff members that were allegedly involved in the incident. Without this information, it is not possible to investigate these allegations to determine what action should be taken. Please provide this information at your earliest convenience so that we may take appropriate steps in this matter.

Sincerely,

Harlan Penn Regional Counsel

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