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Frank G. Cousins, Jr., Sheriff
Essex County Women in Transition
20 Manning Avenue
Middleton, MA 01949

Re: Facility Inspection – Essex County Women in Transition, Salisbury

Dear Sheriff Cousins:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, as well as Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities; 105 CMR 480.000: Storage and Disposal of Infectious or Physically Dangerous Medical or Biological Waste (State Sanitary Code, Chapter VIII); 105 CMR 590.000: Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments (State Sanitary Code Chapter X); the 1999 Food Code; 105 CMR 520.000 Labeling; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; I conducted an inspection of the Essex County Women in Transition on February 27, 2015 accompanied by Elizabeth Gilmartin, EHSO. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 3 repeat violations:

HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS
(* *indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports*)

Hallway

No Violations Noted

Office (2)

No Violations Noted

Program Coordinator's Office (3)

No Violations Noted

Deputy Superintendent's Office (4)

Unable to Inspect - Locked

Laundry Room (5)

105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor surface damaged under washer units
105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged
105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged

Staff Bathroom (6)

No Violations Noted

Copy Room (7)

No Violations Noted

Hot Water Heater Room (8)

No Violations Noted

HSU (9)

No Violations Noted

Communication Room (10)

No Violations Noted

Visitor's Bathroom (12)

No Violations Noted

Dorm Rooms

105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms

Dorm Room # 11

105 CMR 451.126	Hot Water: Hot water temperature 83°F

Dorm Room # 13

No Violations Noted

Dorm Room # 14

105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor tiles loose in bathroom

Dorm Room # 15

No Violations Noted

Dorm Room # 16

No Violations Noted

Dorm Room # 17

105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Sprinkler head dusty

Shower Room (18)

No Violations Noted

Kitchen (19)

FC 5-205.15(B)	Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, 3-bay-sink not draining
FC 3-304.12(A)	Preventing Contamination from Utensils: Ice scoop not stored properly
FC 6-501.11	Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, floor tiles damaged near ice machine
FC 3-302.12	Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Unlabeled food containers
FC 4-601.11(A)	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Objective: Food contact surface dirty, dirty pan left in refrigerator

Meeting and Dining Room (20)

No Violations Noted

Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 21 at the time of inspection.

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice, indicating the specific corrective steps to be taken, a timetable for such steps, and the date by which correction will be achieved. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "Retail" click "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X – Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments" and "1999 Food Code".

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "General Food Regulations" click "105 CMR 520.000: Labeling."

This inspection report is signed and certified under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Sincerely,

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