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December 15, 2014

Mr. Donald M. Allen
Board of State and Community Corrections
600 Bercut Drive
Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Mr. Allen:

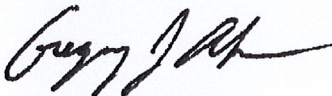
I am writing in response to your request for corrective action regarding the 2014 biennial Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) inspection, conducted earlier this year at Santa Rita Jail. As you know, the Alameda County Sheriff's Office consistently strives to better itself, and we welcome input from outside entities, especially the BSCC. We take our duty to provide care, custody and control of the inmates in our charge very seriously and appreciate a critical eye when being audited.

During your inspection, it was noted Santa Rita Jail was in noncompliance with Title 24, Section 470.2.8, Dormitories (wash basins and sinks) and Section 470.3.4 (showers) pertaining to the ratio of inmates to these facilities.

Because of the construction of the facility, it is not possible to add showers and wash basins in these areas. Therefore, the corrective action to be taken is to monitor the population in these areas in order to ensure we do not exceed the mandated ratio of available facilities to inmates.

Thank you for bringing this matter of noncompliance to my attention. My staff and I will work to ensure that we are in compliance with Title 24, Sections 470.2.8 and Section 470.3.4.

Sincerely,



Gregory J. Ahern
Sheriff-Coroner

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