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February 4, 2019

Pamela MacEachern, Superintendent

MASAC in Plymouth

Myles Standish State Forest

Plymouth, MA 02360 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – MASAC in Plymouth, Carver

Dear Superintendent MacEachern:

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 2013 Food Code; 105 CMR 500.000 Good Manufacturing Practices for Food; 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 MASAC in Plymouth on January 18, 2019 accompanied Dave Dufresne, Environmental Health and Safety Officer. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 42 repeat violations:

**HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS**

(*\* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports*)

**Intake Trailer**

105 CMR 451.109\* Toilet and Handwash Facilities: Toilet and handwash facilities not adequately and conveniently located

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor surface not easily cleanable, plywood material

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of refrigerator damaged

**Central Control**

*Lobby*

No Violations Noted

*Operations Area*

No Violations Noted

*Break Room*

No Violations Noted

*Search Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Baseboard damaged

*Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Medication Room*

No Violations Noted

*Medical Office*

No Violations Noted

*Medical Treatment Room*

105 CMR 451.109\* Toilet and Handwash Facilities: Toilet and handwash facilities not adequately and conveniently located

*Lieutenant’s Office*

No Violations Noted

**A Dorm**

*Hallway*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged

*Staff Break Room*

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave dirty

*Day Room 1*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Baseboard damaged

*Day Room 2*

No Violations Noted

*Bathroom Area*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ventilation fan dusty

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, slop sink leaking

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, backflow preventer damaged at slop sink

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, sink # 8 out-of-order

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, faucet loose at sink # 9

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged around floor drain near toilets

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Multiple light shields damaged in toilet area

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall covering damaged near slop sink

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty around slop sink

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Toilet seat missing in stall # 8

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged above urinal

*Shower Area*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Wall tile damaged in shower # 1 and 5

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Curtain missing in shower # 2, 6, and 8

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Curtain missing in shower # 1, 3, and 7

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty in shower area

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor drain not secured in shower # 5

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside shower 3, 4, and 5

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 4, 5, and 6

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 5 leaking

*Toxic/Caustic Closet*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Radiator damaged

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

*Bunks*

105 CMR 451.320\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, all cells double bunked

105 CMR 451.103 Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 116

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Radiator damaged in cell # 117

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wall surface damaged in cell # 141

**B Dorm**

*Break Room*

No Violations Noted

*Hallway*

No Violations Noted

*Toxic/Caustic Room*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wet mops in buckets

*Bathroom Area*

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, sink # 1 out-of-order

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Toilet seat missing in stall # 5

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Toilet seat missing in stall # 4

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged above stall # 5

*Shower Area*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Mold on ceiling in shower # 6

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall tiles damaged in shower # 6

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged in shower area

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Curtain missing in shower # 1, 4, and 6

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Drain flies observed in shower area

*Bunks* No Inmates Housed in Cell # 201-225 – Maintenance

105 CMR 451.320\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, all cells double bunked

**C Dorm**

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling surfaced cracked in main area

**West Wing**

*Hallway*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Male Bathroom* No Violations Noted

*Staff Female Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Laundry Room*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor drain clogged

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor drain cover missing

*Inmate Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Door missing from handicapped stall

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wet mop stored in slop sink

105 CMR 451.110(A) Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No soap at handwash sinks

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged above toilets

*Showers*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling paint peeling in shower area

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Mold on ceiling above all showers

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor drain missing in shower # 1, 3, and 7

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor drain missing in shower # 8

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 4, 5, and 6 leaking

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 1 leaking

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall tiles damaged in shower # 9

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Light shields damaged in shower area

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall surface damaged outside shower area near windows

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Light out outside showers

*Bathroom Toxic/Caustic Closet*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.320\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, all cells double bunked

**North Hallway**

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in hallway

*Holding Cells # 327-330*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in cell # 330

*Break Room # 332*

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of toaster oven dirty

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave dirty

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wall surface damaged

*Blood Lab/Admissions*

No Violations Noted

*Male Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Watch Cells # 1-4*

No Violations Noted

**HSU**

*Medication Room*

105 CMR 451.109\* Toilet and Handwash Facilities: Toilet and handwash facilities not adequately and conveniently located

*Nursing Station*

No Violations Noted

*Medical Records*

No Violations Noted

*Director of Nursing Office*

No Violations Noted

*Lab/Exam Room (Intake)*

No Violations Noted

*Lab/Exam Room (Discharge)*

No Violations Noted

**Ward Room**

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wall surface damaged near entrance

*Doctor’s Office*

No Violations Noted

*Shower Room (Handicapped)*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Shower room generally dirty

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Ward Bathroom # 1*

105 CMR 451.110(A) Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No soap at handwash sink

*Ward Bathroom # 2*

No Violations Noted

**Classification Area**

*Superintendent’s Office*

No Violations Noted

*Deputy Superintendent’s Office*

No Violations Noted

**Food Service**

*Dining Room*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Visitor’s Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

**Kitchen**

*Stove Area*

FC 6-501.11\* Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, wires exposed due to missing panel cover on stove

*Kettles*

No Violations Noted

*Toxic/Caustic Room*

No Violations Noted

*Toxic/Caustic Area*

No Violations Noted

*Officer’s Room*

FC 6-501.11\* Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, ceiling tiles

water-stained

*Walk-In Refrigerator*

No Violations Noted

*Walk-In Freezer*

FC 6-501.12(A) Maintenance and Operation; Cleaning: Facility not cleaned properly, ice build-up on the ceiling

*Dry Storage*

No Violations Noted

*Handwash Sink (near Dry Storage)*

FC 5-205.15(B) Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, sink leaking

*2-Compartment Sink Area*

FC 5-205.15(B) Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, left sink leaking

*3-Compartment Sink Area*

No Violations Noted

*Dishwasher Machine Area*

FC 6-403.11(B)\* Location and Placement; Employee Accommodations: No locker room area designated for employees, rubber boots and aprons stored with clean equipment

FC 4-901.11(A) Protection of Clean Items, Drying: Clean and sanitized equipment and trays not allowed to air dry fully

**Exterior Buildings**

**Morton Building**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Freezer # 1*

FC 6-501.12(A) Maintenance and Operation; Cleaning: Facility not cleaned properly, ice build-up on walls, floor, and ceiling

*Freezer # 2*

No Violations Noted

**Bunk House # 25**

*Sleeping Area*

105 CMR 451.322\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room

*Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling above shower

*Office*

No Violations Noted

**Bunk House # 24**

*Sleeping Area*

105 CMR 451.322\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room

*Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

*Shower Room*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface damaged

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling surface water-stained

*Day Room*

No Violations Noted

*Barbershop*

No Violations Noted

**Counselor Building**

105 CMR 451.109\* Toilet and Handwash Facilities: Toilet and handwash facilities not adequately and conveniently located

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Light shields missing

105 CMR 451.350 Structural Maintenance: Door not rodent and weathertight

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged at the entrance

**Laundry**

No Violations Noted

**Library**

No Violations Noted

**Weight Room**

105 CMR 451.350\* Structural Maintenance: Doors not rodent and weather-tight

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Temporary floor surface not easily cleanable

**Classroom Building**

*Large Classroom*

No Violations Noted

*East Classroom*

No Violations Noted

*Central Classroom*

No Violations Noted

*West Classroom*

No Violations Noted

**Fire and Safety Building**

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor surface not easily cleanable

*Bathroom # 1*

No Violations Noted

*Bathroom # 2*

No Violations Noted

*Office Area*

No Violations Noted

*EHSO Office*

No Violations Noted

**Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 133 at the time of inspection.
2. At the time of inspection, the Department recommended installing a floor covering that is more durable and easily cleanable in the Intake Trailer and in the Fire and Safety Building.
3. The Medical Exam Room near Central Control, the HSU Medication Room, and the Intake Trailer do not have convenient handwashing facilities. Please provide a policy which states how the institution will ensure the health and safety of inmates and staff working inside these areas.
4. The Counseling Building does not have convenient handwashing facilities for staff stationed in the building. Please provide a policy which states how the institution will ensure the health and safety of inmates and staff working inside this exterior building.
5. The Counseling Building does not have convenient toilet facilities for staff stationed in the building.

The Department observed two, locked portable toilets outside the Counseling Building which can only be accessed by Staff with a key. Please provide a policy which states how often the portable toilets are serviced and cleaned. Please also provide a policy which indicates an alternative, convenient toilet and handwashing facility for the Counseling Building during months which temperatures are too cold for safe, outdoor bathroom usage.

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](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment Regulations or download a copy, please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Retail food". Then under DPH Regulations and FDA Code click "Merged Food Code" or "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments".

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on “Food Protection Program regulations”. Then under Food Processing click “105 CMR 500.000: Good Manufacturing Practices for Food”.

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

Sincerely,



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