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Michael Bellotti, Sheriff Norfolk County Correctional Center 200 West Street P.O. Box 149 Dedham, MA 02027

Re: Plan of Correction - Norfolk County House of Correction and Alternative Center, Dedham

Dear Sheriff Bellotti:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on June 30, 2017. After review, the Department finds the plan appropriately addresses all of the violations noted in the report with the following exception:

1. Your Plan of Correction indicates there is an overcrowding waiver in effect for all inadequate space issues throughout the institution. Please be advised that the Department cannot accept a waiver from the DOC, or any other department, as a means of remedy for overcrowding. The Department appreciates the limitations of correctional facilities and the need to accommodate the ever-increasing population; however we remain concerned with the overcrowded conditions.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, should you have any questions please contact me at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Gale

Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

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cc: Jana Ferguson, Director, BEH

Steven Hughes, Director, CSP, BEH

Marylou Sudders, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Thomas Turco, Commissioner, DOC

Gerard Horgan, Superintendent

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Daniel Bennett, Secretary, EOPSS

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