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Stephen Kennedy, Superintendent
Old Colony Correctional Center
1 Administration Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction – Old Colony Correctional Center, Bridgewater

Dear Superintendent Kennedy:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Community Sanitation Program (CSP) has received your Plan of Correction (POC) in response to my inspection on December 5 and 6, 2023. After review, the CSP finds the plan appropriately addresses all of the violations noted with the following exceptions:

1. In regards to the issue of overcrowding, the CSP appreciates the limitations of correctional facilities and the need to accommodate the ever-increasing population; however we remain concerned with the overcrowded conditions.
2. While the CSP appreciates the financial limitations of correctional facilities, the time frame to correct the inadequate hot water temperature at several handwash sinks and showers throughout the facility appears excessive. The CSP would like these violations corrected within a shorter time frame.
3. Please provide a corrective action and date of completion for the following unaddressed violations in the Main Kitchen:
 - a. Metal trays observed being stacked wet;
 - b. Air dryer out-of-order;
 - c. Inadequate water temperature in mechanical warewashing machine; and
 - d. Warewashing machine leaking from side doors.

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

Sincerely,



Patrick Wallace

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Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BCEH

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