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Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
 Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
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Re: Plan of Correction – Essex County Women in Transition, Salisbury

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Community Sanitation Program (CSP) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on June 25, 2024. After review, the CSP finds the plan appropriately addresses all of the violations noted in the report with the following exception:

Your Plan of Correction indicates you have an approved overcrowding waiver from the Department of Corrections (DOC) regarding floor space in cells. Please be advised that the DOC does not have the authority to issue waivers for any provisions of 105 CMR 451.000, therefore we cannot accept a waiver from the DOC as a means of remedy. The CSP appreciates the limitations of correctional facilities and the need to accommodate the ever-increasing population; however we remain concerned.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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