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August 26, 2021

Robert Ogden, Sheriff
Dukes County Jail and House of Correction
P.O. Box 252
Edgartown, MA 02539 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction - Dukes County Jail and House of Correction, Edgartown

Dear Sheriff Ogden:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Community Sanitation Program (CSP) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on January 22, 2021. After review, the CSP finds the plan appropriately addresses all of the violations noted in the report with the following exception:

- 1. Please provide a date of correction for the following unaddressed violations:
 - a. Plumbing out-of-order in cell # 3, 4, 5, and 6 in the Pre-Release Unit; and
 - b. The damaged window screen in the Unit # 2 Dorm Room.
- 2. 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.

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 Analyst, CSP, BEH

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cc: Margret R. Cooke, Acting Commissioner, DPH

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