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 Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters
 20 Manning Avenue
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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 February 10, 2023. After review, the CSP finds the plan appropriately addresses all of the violations noted in the report with the following exceptions:

1. 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 with the overcrowded conditions; and
2. Please provide an estimated date of completion for curtain missing in shower # 3.

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

Sincerely,

Shanene Pierce
 Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

cc: Margret R. Cooke, Commissioner, DPH (electronic copy)
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