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Randall J. Meyer
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RE: IG File ID Number 2015-CA00015

Dear Inspector General Meyer:

This letter is in response to investigative file # 2015-CA00015 submitted to the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction by your office on December 29, 2016 with a finding of "reasonable cause to believe that a wrongful act or omission occurred in this instance". The following details the response by this agency regarding recommendations made by your office.

Recommendation #1:

Consider revising policy 100-APA-14 requiring parole officers to register with VINELink.com to be notified of an incarcerated parolee's custody status change if an APA order of hold is to be placed on the parolee.

Response:

Draft revisions are pending with policy 100-APA-14 containing the following proposed language: Any offender with an APA holder order shall have their custody status verified weekly. The status check shall include verification that the offender is being held on APA hold only and/or status of pending charges.

Draft revisions are pending with policy 100-APA-05 with proposed language to include: The supervising officer shall staff all in-custody cases that have an APA hold with the unit supervisor/designee on a weekly basis and the staffing shall be documented in the Field Officer Tablet (FOT) and NOTEC.

Recommendation #2:

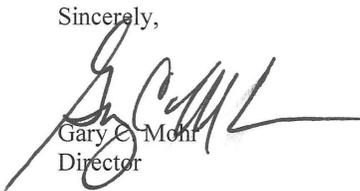
Consider modifying the APA Policy 100-APA-14, *Violations of Parole* and Policy 105-PBD-09, *Violation Hearing Process* in accordance with court rulings if 20 days is not feasible.

Response:

The Adult Parole Authority has considered this recommendation, reviewed the policies and process, and determined the existing policies and process do not require any modifications at this time. The Adult Parole Authority will continue to review its policies and processes over time, and make any necessary modifications.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your report and recommendations.

Sincerely,



Gary C. Mohr
Director