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December 7, 2011

Brigid Hanson, Assistant Secretary (A)
Office of Labor Relations
Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation
1515 S Street, North Building, Room 109
Sacramento, CA 95811

Re: Notice Regarding DJJ Ventura Youth Correctional Facility Behavior Treatment Program
Closure Dispute
CCPOA NG #42200
CDCR Log Number: 11-143

Dear Ms. Hanson:

We are in receipt of your notice letter dated December 1, 2011, and received in this office on December 2, 2011, regarding the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Division of Juvenile Justice's intent to move the ward population housed in El Mirasol Housing Unit, a Behavioral Treatment Program, to other units at the Ventura Youth Correctional Facility.

This letter is to request a Meet and Confer over the impact of the above-mentioned change to the terms and conditions of employment of those Bargaining Unit 6 employees concerned.

Please advise Tim Hafner at (916) 372-6060, as to your earliest available meeting date.

Sincerely,

Steve J. Weiss
Chief of Labor
California Correctional
Peace Officers Association

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Enclosure

cc: Jo Anne Billhimer
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December 1, 2011

VIA FAX & CERTIFIED MAIL # 7008 0150 0001 2282 3728

Mr. Steve Weiss, Chief of Labor
California Correctional Peace Officers Association
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RE: NOTICE REGARDING DJJ VENTURA YOUTH CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (VYCF)
BEHAVIORAL TREATMENT PROGRAM CLOSURE DISPUTE (CDCR Log No.11-143-0)

Dear Mr. Weiss:

Effective March 4, 2011, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), moved the ward population housed in the El Mirasol (EM) Housing Unit, a Behavioral Treatment Program (BTP), to other units at the Ventura Youth Correctional Facility (VYCF).

This notice is due to grievance Master Number 11-S-59-004 filed on behalf of Victor Palazuelos, Youth Correctional Officer (YCO) employed at VYCF, alleging VYCF management of unilaterally implementing a unit closure and staff reduction without given proper notice for a meet and confer according to the Ralph C. Dills Act. Additionally, many of the wards were moved to non-BTP units, thus raising safety, security and training concerns.

On March 16, 2011, a grievance conference took place via telephone with the grievant/Chapter President and David Finley, Superintendent. Specifically, the grievance alleges that VYCF management unilaterally implemented a unit closure and staff reduction. VYCF management asserts that on March 1, 2011, during a labor/management meeting, the local chapter was notified of the closure of the EM living unit due to the declining youth population that qualified for BTP.

In providing this notice, CDCR does not represent the closure of the EM BTP is within scope of bargaining or has any impact to the members of Bargaining Unit (BU) 6.

If you believe the EM BTP closure creates impact to BU 6 members within scope of bargaining not already covered in the 2011 – 2013 Bargaining Unit 6 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), please have your assigned staff person contact Dolores Slaton, Labor Relations Manager, at (916) 445-7167 within 10 working days from the date of this notice to identify available dates to meet. It would be extremely beneficial, likely to both parties, if you would outline the areas of concern you would like to discuss. We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dolores Slaton".

BRIGID HANSON
Chief of Labor
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

cc: Eugenia Ortega Guzman, Superintendent, VYCF
Dolores Slaton, Labor Relations Manager, Office of Labor Relations
Stephen Booth, Labor Relations Officer, DPA