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MEMORANDUM FOR: Tae D. Johnson
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THROUGH: Jay M. Brooks
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SUBJECT: Clay County Jail, Indiana – Waiver Request

Purpose

Provide a waiver for the Chicago Field Office, Clay County Justice Center Jail, as it relates to the Environmental Health and Safety Standard, within the 2008 Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS), which states the “An area-specific exit diagram conspicuously posted in the diagrammed area.”

Background

A review of the facility revealed a deficiency concerning Clay County’s failure to post emergency plans with accessible building/room floor plans and directional arrows or area specific exit diagrams within the Housing Units required by the PBNDS 2008 Standards. Clay County has posted area specific exit diagrams in the Medical Department, Laundry Area, and Food Service.

Discussion: A corrective action or a work-around is not available because Clay County Justice Center believes this to be a Security Concern to post a diagram and floor plan of the facility that describes the most expeditious exit plan for a secure facility because they consider it an escape plan/route for the detainees. The Indiana State Jail Standards require Clay County to maintain evacuation instructions in the main control room and all satellite control rooms.

Recommendation

I recommend the authorization of a waiver for the Clay County Justice Center, relating to the Environmental Health and Safety Standard, within the 2008 PBNDS, due to Security Concerns of the facility.

Approve / date gmb 12/12/18 Disapprove / date _____

Modify / date _____ Needs more discussion _____

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