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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Tae D. Johnson  
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**THROUGH:** Jay M. Brooks  
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**FROM:** Kyle Milowski  
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**SUBJECT:** LaSalle Detention Facility, Jena, LA - Waiver Request

**Purpose**

Provide a waiver for the New Orleans Field Office, LaSalle Detention Facility (LDF), Jena, LA as it relates to the Personal Hygiene standard in detention facilities, Section (V) (E) (1) & (2) within the 2011 Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) which states "Detainees shall be provided an adequate number of toilets, 24 hours per day that can be used without staff assistance when detainees are confined to their cells or sleeping areas, and an adequate number of wash basins with temperature controlled hot and cold running water 24 hours per day."

**Background**

The September 10 – 12, 2013 Annual Detention Review of the LDF reported the following:

"An adequate number of toilets are available in all housing units except for two female units where the ratio of toilets is one toilet to 20 detainees. The expected practice, as provided by the standard, is one toilet per eight female detainees. The facility has an ACA waiver for this component but does not have a waiver from ICE."

"An adequate number of temperature controlled wash basins are available in all housing units except for two male and two female units. The ratio of wash basins to detainees is one to sixteen. The expected practice, as provided by the standard, is one to twelve. The facility has an ACA waiver for this component but does not have a waiver from ICE."

Discussion

The physical design of LDF does not allow for the addition of toilets and wash basins to meet the required ratio. However, detainees have unlimited access to these facilities 24 hours a day. On January 11, 2009, the ACA granted a waiver for this standard.

Approve / date Jay M Broch 1/21/14 Disapprove / date \_\_\_\_\_

Modify / date \_\_\_\_\_ Needs more discussion \_\_\_\_\_