

December 6, 2018

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Pre-Occupancy Inspection of the River Correctional Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the River Correctional Center in Ferriday, LA during the period of December 4-6, 2018. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of the second sec

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	
Security	
Medical Care	
Safety	
Medical Care	

Type of Inspection

This is a pre-occupancy inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities.

Inspection Summary

The River Correctional Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Yes

Standards Compliance

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2018 pre-occupancy inspection:



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Acceptable	36		
Deficient	0		
Repeat Finding	0		
Not Applicable	3		

Based on the proposed policy and procedures that will be implemented prior to the arrival of ICE detainees, the inspection team did not identify any deficient components.

Facility Snapshot/Description

The River Correctional Center is located at 26362 Highway 15, approximately 5 miles from Ferriday, LA. The facility was constructed in 2001 and is owned by the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Department. From 2001 until 2006, the facility was managed and operated by the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Department. In 2006, the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Department entered into partnership with LaSalle Corrections; under this partnership LaSalle Corrections provides the facility with an OIC to manage the facility and other operational services. With the exception of the OIC and the nurse practitioner, River Correctional Center employees are sheriff's department staff.

The facility is a single level structure constructed in 2001

These housing units are under direct visual supervision of a control center officer. A roving housing unit officer enters each dorm every thirty minutes. In addition, there is an eight cell double bunked housing unit that is designated as an Honor Dorm, which houses inmates assigned to the work crew. The facility also has an eight cell, double bunked housing unit designated as a Lockdown Dorm. The lockdown dorm is designated for suicide watch, administrative, disciplinary and protective custody housing needs.

The facility does not house juvenile detainees.

Currently the facility operates in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Jail. The OIC and the business development manager for LaSalle Corrections stated that if the facility is awarded a contract or enters into an IGSA, within ninety days the facility will be compliant with all ICE requirements, with the exception of any needed construction. Proposed policy and procedures meeting all ICE requirements were provided by LaSalle Corrections. Per the business development manager, once approved to house ICE detainees, the proposed policy and procedures will be finalized and tailored specifically for this facility. Per the business development manager, should additional staffing be needed to meet the ICE requirements, employees from other LaSalle facilities will be transferred to the River Correctional Center.

Currently, ICE detainees are not housed in this facility. Consequently, there were no detainee interviews conducted.

The facility will not charge ICE detainees copayments for medical, mental health or dental care. Health services are currently provided by a combination of employees from the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Department and LaSalle Corrections. Food service operations are currently provided by sheriff's department employees. Detainee telephone services are provided via a contract with Correct Solutions Group.



Sanitation throughout the facility was observed to be acceptable. Facility employees presented the impression of a professional workforce. Overall, the atmosphere at the facility was observed to be generally calm with no obvious indicators of high stress.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility is an appropriate placement for ICE detainees, based in part on the facility accomplishing the action plans provided to the inspection team prior to housing ICE detainees. When the action plans are satisfied, the facility will achieve compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) on future inspections, with the anticipated results of no (0) standards found Deficient and three (3) standards rated as Not Applicable (N/A).

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

	ICE Officials – Facility Staff –	I					
	, Lead Cor	npliance	Inspector	Decemb	per 6, 2018		
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