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REPORT SUMMARY

Performance Audit

Alger Correctional Facility

Department of Corrections

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The Alger Correctional Facility opened in 1990 and is located in Munising, Michigan. The Facility has the capacity to house 896 male level IV and level II prisoners. The Facility has 6 housing units as well as separate buildings for administration, food service/healthcare, school, and maintenance/warehouse.

Audit Objective:

To assess the effectiveness of the Department of Corrections' (DOC's) efforts to comply with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security at the Alger Correctional Facility.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that DOC's efforts to comply with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security at the Alger Correctional Facility were effective. However, we noted three reportable conditions (Findings 1 through 3).

Reportable Conditions:

The Facility did not properly complete or distribute gate manifests (Finding 1).

The Facility did not document that it conducted all required radio and personal protection device checks (Finding 2).

The Facility did not complete all scheduled preventive maintenance tasks in a timely manner (Finding 3).

Noteworthy Accomplishments:

The Facility created the Incentives in Segregation Program in 2009. The Facility noted reductions in critical incidents, major misconducts, and cell damages for the segregation prisoners.

The Facility implemented a shelter dog program in early 2012. Through this program, prisoners train animal shelter dogs to assist in their adoption, resulting in successful adoptions of 17 dogs. This program reduces prisoner idleness, and it provides prisoners with a sense of purpose and the opportunity to give back to the community.

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Agency Response:

Our audit report contains 3 findings and 3 corresponding recommendations. DOC's preliminary response indicates that the Facility agrees with all of the recommendations and has complied with them.

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