



STATE OF WASHINGTON

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January 16, 2008

Mr. Victor Moore, Director  
Office of Financial Management  
Post Office Box 43113  
Olympia, Washington 98504-3113

Dear Mr. Moore:

RE: Chapter 483, 2007 Laws, (ESSB 6157) – Equitable Distribution of Work Releases and  
Community Justice Centers

The final report from the Work Release Siting Advisory Committee is enclosed. This information is also being forwarded to all counties within the state.

The committee evaluated the question of equitable distribution using a number of different methodologies and concluded that the most equitable method for distributing work releases throughout the state would be to base the distribution on county population. Other recommendations are also provided in the report.

The next step for the Washington Department of Corrections will be to work with the counties to determine if partnering opportunities or inter jurisdictional agreements may be available. Where appropriate, we will also begin discussions concerning a local siting process. The cover letter to the counties is also included.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact me at (360) 725-8810.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Vail", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Eldon Vail  
Secretary

Enclosures