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Testimony

Hello, my name is Nancy Hardy. I would like to thank the panel for the opportunity to testify before you today. I am a Correctional Administrator assigned to the Special Projects Unit of the Division of Adult Institutions. In my role as the statewide PREA Project Coordinator, I was responsible for bringing a group of subject matter experts together to develop the written policy and procedures. Through the vetting process, those policies/procedures received reviews from internal and external stakeholders. The external stakeholders included the Moss Group and Stop Prisoner Rape. The policy was approved in January 2006. A training lesson plan was developed and approved for implementation. At that time, we began the process of negotiations with the required employee organizations. Training in the field began in May 2006 and continues with an anticipated completion date of June 2007. Distribution of the written materials and full implementation is expected to occur before December 1, 2006.

Question #3: Which staff positions in such a system would be key witnesses?

Predominately, these would be Correctional Officers and other inmate work supervisors (i.e., teachers, supervising cooks, and trades personnel), medical and mental health staff, investigative staff both in institutions and from the Office of Internal Affairs and management staff.

This concludes my written testimony, does the panel have any additional questions. Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to provide input on this very serious issue.