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Cherie Sales-Stierwalt, Director
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RE: Thunderbird Youth Academy, Bravo Company
OJSO First Unannounced Biannual Visit, 2009

Dear Ms. Stierwalt:

The Office of Juvenile System Oversight (OJSO) conducted an unannounced visit at the Thunderbird Youth Academy (TYA), Bravo Company, also known as the Thunderbird Regimented Training Program, on April 28, 2009. During the oversight visit, the OJSO spoke with administrators, staff and residents; and reviewed documents and files. The OJSO did not note any concerns with the materials reviewed or interviews conducted.

During the exit conference, the OJSO requested an updated copy of the TYA, Bravo Company, policy and procedure manual. The OJSO was advised the manual was currently being updated, however, a copy would be provided to the OJSO upon completion. The OJSO did receive the updated policy and procedure manual subsequent to the visit. The OJSO commended the facility on the corrections made in regard to the areas of concern cited in the previous oversight report. A response to this letter is not required; however, this correspondence has been sent to all appropriate state agencies.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or comments concerning this correspondence, please call me at 405-606-4900.

Sincerely,

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