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The Honorable Asa Hutchinson
Governor of Arkansas
State Capitol Building, Room 250
Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Act 1265, Public Safety Transparency and Accountability

Dear Governor Hutchinson:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1, Act 1265 of 2015, Arkansas Community Correction (ACC) has developed the following plan to enhance our current public information sharing system to allow for increased transparency of offender information. ACC, along with the Arkansas Parole Board (APB) and Arkansas Department of Correction (ADC), have worked collaboratively to ensure all requirements under the Act are included in the proposed plan.

Currently, ACC provides information on the state public website about parole absconders and evaders. Parole evaders have had a warrant issued for his or her arrest for failure to report to their assigned officer for up to 179 days, while absconders have failed to report for 180 days or more. Additionally, ACC provides demographic information about all applicable parole evaders/absconders including name, personal identification number (PID), race, gender, height, weight, eye color, hair color, date of birth, supervision end date, county of supervision, supervision officer, most serious offense, and the most recent photograph in the Electronic Offender Management Information System (eOMIS).

To include the additional transparency information required of ACC on our public website, the current file will be expanded to include all offenses for which the parole or probation absconder/evader is currently being supervised, all known aliases, Any major disciplinary for which the offender is found guilty of while incarcerated after July 1, 2015, a felony conviction summary to the extent the information is available to ACC, all risk assessment scores completed after April 1, 2015, all felony convictions recorded in eOMIS including suspended imposition of sentence (SIS), programs completed while on supervision if known, previous revocation offenses while on supervision, and to the extent available, an order of protection and no contract order. The previous revocation data was not historically collected; however, upon implementation of the eOMIS

programming changes this data will be captured to the extent known and made available. If ACC has copies of actual court documents related to the referenced offender information, those documents will be made available on the public website. Should the document contain any victim identifying information, that information will be redacted. All information previously stated will be made available on the public website unless prohibited by Federal law or Interstate Compact rule.

ACC will contract with INA and the eOMIS vendor, Marquis Software, to ensure programming is completed to enhance the current file and include the additional information. The cost of the ACC enhancements is estimated to be \$26,128. The estimated completion date of programming changes for eOMIS is August 1, 2015. Due to the size of the enhanced file, information on the public site will be updated once daily.

ACC will continue working with ADC and APB to ensure all information required under Act 1265 is made available to the public. If any further clarification of ACC's implementation plan is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me or my office.

Sincerely,

Sheila Sharp, Director

cc: The Honorable Jeremy Hutchinson, Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Matthew J. Shepherd, Chair, House Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Alan Clark, Co-Chair, Joint Performance Review Committee
The Honorable Kim Hammer, Co-Chair, Joint Performance Review Committee
The Honorable Bill Sample, Co-Chair, Legislative Council
The Honorable David Branscum, Co-Chair, Legislative Council
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