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October 30, 2026

Mr. Yiannis Kalaitzidis
Finance Director/License Inspector
Town of Marana

Sent via email only to licensing@maranaaz.gov

RE: Response to Town of Marana Letter Dated October 28, 2026 – Business License Application for the Marana Detention Facility

Dear Mr. Kalaitzidis:

In response to your letter received on October 28, 2026, you requested clarification regarding an article published by *The Intercept* alleging that possible sexual abuse occurred at the Marana Facility during the period of 2022-2023 while the facility was operated by MTC under contract with the State of Arizona. You specifically requested clarification on whether the incident was appropriately reported and investigated and regarding the claim that MTC failed to disclose the alleged sexual abuse during its 2023 PREA audit.

As demonstrated through the enclosed emails, the claim of sexual abuse, first made on April 14, 2022, was promptly reported to the Arizona Department of Corrections (ADOC) and recorded in MTC's ODS system. The claim was thereafter investigated by ADOC and closed as unsubstantiated on May 20, 2022. Any suggestion in the media or otherwise is unfounded.

Contrary to media claims, the PREA audit report dated December 1, 2023, should not be construed as a review of facility operations or documentation covering the period from October 2020 through October 2023. While PREA audits are conducted on a three-year cycle, that cycle refers to the frequency of audits, not the scope of documentation reviewed. A PREA audit is not a review of three years of operational records. Rather, facilities provide documentation and data for the audit period, including information from the twelve months immediately preceding the audit, to demonstrate ongoing compliance with PREA standards.

For the final audit report issued on December 1, 2023, all required documentation was provided to the auditor through the Pre-Audit Questionnaire (PAQ) process in accordance with U.S. Department of Justice PREA Management Office requirements. A copy of the submitted PAQ for the 2023 audit is enclosed. The PAQ serves as the primary mechanism for collecting information and supporting documentation for auditor review. For the October 2023 Marana PREA audit, MTC submitted documentation covering the audit review period of August 1, 2022, through August 1, 2023, as requested by the auditor.

The alleged sexual abuse referenced in your inquiry was reported in April 2022 and was investigated by the ADOC, the customer agency, in accordance with applicable policy and

contractual requirements. The investigation was completed in May 2022 and documented within MTC's PREA reporting system. Because both the allegation and the resulting investigation occurred prior to the audit review period, and consistent with audit reporting requirements, they were not included in the documentation submitted to the auditor as part of the October 2023 PREA audit.

While the December 2023 PREA Audit Report references a 24-month data period in certain sections, MTC's documentation submission through the PAQ process was prepared for the applicable 12-month audit review period, as requested in the PAQ in accordance with PREA audit standards. MTC cannot speak to why the auditor referenced a 24-month period in the report, as that determination was made independently by the auditor. But MTC was only asked to provide documentation for the applicable 12-month audit review period.

The audit report suggests that facility leadership and staff were asked about incidents occurring in the prior 24-month period, and that leadership and staff confirmed that no incidents had occurred during that period. However, this is not consistent with MTC's recollection of events. Warden Jeremy Casey, specifically, does not recall being asked about incidents occurring during the prior 24-month (rather than 12-month) period. Nor would a 24-month period be consistent with the enclosed interview guides published by the National PREA Resource Center / Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice. These guides support a 12-month (rather than 24-month) look back period. A 24-month look back period would also be inconsistent with prior PREA audit reports for the facility, including the enclosed November 2020 PREA Audit Report, which focused on a 12-month (rather than 24-month) look back period. MTC cannot speak to why the auditor erroneously referenced a 24-month look back period, rather than the standard 12-month period. However, MTC only provided information based on a 12-month look back period, in accordance with long-standing PREA audit standards and practices.

MTC's role in the PREA audit process is to provide the auditor with access to records, documentation, staff, and residents, as requested for the applicable period. MTC does not approve, certify, or otherwise control audit final findings. Audit conclusions are reached independently by the DOJ-certified PREA auditor in accordance with the audit process established by the U.S. Department of Justice PREA Management Office. Please let us know if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dan Marquardt, MTC
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Attachments:
2023 PAQ used during the Marana audit
2020 PREA Audit Report for Marana
PREA Auditor Handbook, which provides guidance and requirements for PREA auditors
Interview Protocols for Wardens
Interview Protocols for PREA Compliance Managers
Interview Protocols for Specialized Staff
Email message attachments (14 total)