

September 17, 2020

Dennis Cooley, PhD
Associate Deputy Minister
Solicitor General
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Dear Associate Deputy Minister Cooley:

Subject: Shane Andrew Matthon
Response to Recommendations

Please find enclosed a copy of the Honourable Judge T.W. Achtymichuk's report to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General. This report will be publicly released on October 10, 2020.

The following recommendations made by Judge Achtymichuk may impact Solicitor General:

- It is recommended that FSCC assess the effectiveness of a full body scanner such as the one used at Edmonton Remand Centre, and consider its use for FSCC.
- If the amended policy requiring security checks within the first hour of every shift does not include bunk searches, it is recommended that FCSS consider a policy requiring that, at least for the ISU. That could increase the likelihood of identifying the presence or use of drugs. The recommendation is not to do this, but to consider it. That is because there may be issues to consider about implementing this, that were not fully canvassed at the Inquiry.
- It is recommended that FSCC consider institutionalizing a periodic assessment of the ISU by those working there regularly.

I ask that you please advise the following:

1. Whether Solicitor General accepts, accepts in principle, does not accept, or has a different response to the recommendations;
2. A brief explanation of why that decision was made; and
3. If Solicitor General intends to accept the recommendations, or to implement different measures, what steps will be taken in that regard.

A response to this enquiry is not mandatory. However, please be advised that any response received will be publicly released and posted on the Open Government Portal:

<https://open.alberta.ca/opendata/responses-to-public-fatality-inquiry-recommendations>.

If a response has not been received by February 10, 2021, that information will also be made publicly available.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours truly,



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Jennifer Fuchinsky
Fatality Inquiry Coordinator

Enclosure