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Re: Press Release – For Immediate Release

Work has continued to progress since our last press release two weeks ago. We are hopeful that the Goldberg Group will be issuing the Certificate of Substantial Completion later today or tomorrow, as we understand we are down to one main issue holding up substantial completion, which is the seismic bracing report, certifying that the missing seismic bracing has now been fully and properly installed. Hausmann has informed us that we should receive the seismic bracing report today or tomorrow; as of noon today, we do not have the report, but assuming we receive it today or tomorrow, and nothing unexpected arises, the Certificate of Substantial Completion will be issued yet this week. The Authority will provide another press release later this week.

As a reminder to the public, substantial completion is the stage in the progress of the work on the facility such that the facility is sufficiently complete so that the owner can occupy it for its intended use, subject to completion of any punch list items or other items noted in the Certificate of Substantial Completion. As a reminder, after substantial completion, Hausmann then has a contractual sixty-day window during which it will work to achieve final completion of the facility. Items to be completed to reach final completion include, among other things: testing and balancing, and any necessary retesting, of the mechanical system; work under PR 50R to fix the noise control levels in Secondary Control, which were beyond the appropriate levels; work under PR 52 regarding replacement of the heating coil in AHU 3; work relating to certain loops within the heated sidewalk; roofing repairs; certain landscaping work; and various other smaller outstanding punch list items.

The Authority would like to take this opportunity to remind the public that the repeated delays in the substantial completion of the project have all been caused by factors *other than* the Authority and County and, instead, have been caused by the various, previously discussed instances of delayed and defective services and work by Hausmann Construction, Goldberg Architects, and Introba that have occurred throughout this Project. The Authority is doing everything it can to get this project to final completion, and is going to ensure the facility is fully and properly completed upon the opening of the facility, but ultimately the Authority has to rely upon the professionals it hired to design and build the facility to complete their work. To reassure the public, the Authority and County are continuing to calculate and assess their total damages, which cannot be fully calculated until after completion of the facility and after the County is able to fill the facility with inmates, but the Authority and County will, through the legal process, hold the responsible parties liable for their incurred damages once calculated.