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Anne L. Precythe, Director Missouri Department of Corrections 2729 Plaza Drive Jefferson City, MO 65109

Dear Director Precythe:

The Missouri State Auditor's Office has been made aware of concerns about the Missouri Offender Management Matrix (MOMM) program that has allegedly been implemented by the Department of Corrections (DOC).

The DOC website states that incentives such as, "tangible rewards, tokens, gift cards, vouchers, key chains, and passes to local attractions," are all offered as part of this program as the offender works toward a recommendation for early discharge.

The concerns being raised include, but are not limited to: the amount of tax dollars used for the program, how often these incentives are being handed out, and whether there is a system to monitor the program and ensure such incentives are tracked, recorded, and administered properly. Under Section 29.221, RSMo, this office is conducting an initial review to investigate these concerns and determine if they are credible.

We ask that you provide this office with the following information:

- 1) The funding mechanism/source for the MOMM program.
- 2) The most up-to-date MOMM chart outlining the matrix for incentives.
- 3) The amount of allocated tax dollars being spent on the MOMM incentives to date. If any portion of the program is funded with non-tax dollars, please provide the source(s) of such incentives.
- 4) The system the DOC has in place for monitoring and tracking the MOMM incentives disbursed. This response should include the process for soliciting non-tax dollar funded incentives, compliance measures for securing such items, and compliance procedures for distributing such items.
- 5) The amount of staff time dedicated to administering the program, how the staff time was funded, and the system the DOC has in place for tracking this staff time.
 - 6) The total number of incentives disbursed to date.

Please provide this documentation to our office no later than March 9, 2020.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, I can be reached at 573-751-5037 or Mary.Johnson@auditor.mo.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary Johnson Chief of Investigations

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Office of Governor Michael L. Parson cc: