

September 26, 2019

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: Annual Detention Inspection of the LaSalle ICE Processing Center

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS 2011) of the LaSalle Ice Processing Center in Jena, Louisiana, during the period of September 24-26, 2019. This is a DIGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	
Security	
Medical Care	
Medical Care	
Safety	

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE PBNDS 2011 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Meets Standards during the September 2018 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The LaSalle Ice Processing Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) Yes
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) Yes
- The Joint Commission (TJC) No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Yes

Standards Compliance

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2018 and 2019 annual inspections:



2018 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	41
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	1

2019 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	41
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	1

The inspection team identified one (1) deficient component in the following standard:

Law Libraries and Legal Materials - 1

Facility Snapshot/Description

The LaSalle ICE Processing Center is owned and operated by The Geo Group, Inc. (GEO), who has an intergovernmental services agreement with ICE and the LaSalle Economic Development District. The facility is located in a rural area on the outskirts of Jena, Louisiana. The facility is a dedicated IGSA (DIGSA) facility housing adult male and female detainees of all security classification levels.

An onsite administrative building is used by ICE and Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR) officers. Three Supervisory Detention and Deportation Officers (SDDO) and seven Deportation Officers (DO) are detailed to the facility.

The facility consists of nine separate buildings surrounded by two external twelve foot fences. Razor wire surrounds the top of both fences with an additional four rolls of razor wire on the ground protecting the outer fence line. The facility is equipped with 235 surveillance cameras monitored by central control officers. The perimeter road is patrolled by an armed officer 24 hours a day. Detainees are housed in a combination of dormitories and celled units and are directly supervised by assigned housing unit officers. The housing units provide generous open space. Detainees spend the majority of their time socializing in the dayrooms, watching television, using the electronic tablets (video visitation, video chatting, messaging, games, library of books, law library, movies and music) or participating in indoor or outdoor recreational activities. The outdoor recreation areas are adjacent to the housing units. General population detainees are permitted four hours of outdoor recreation per day, seven days a week.

An inspection of the housing units, medical unit, and the facility overall reflected a positive environment, with above-average sanitation conditions being observed. There were no issues or concerns expressed by detainees in regard to conditions of confinement or quality of life. No less than 100 detainee interviews were conducted. Detainees stated they felt safe and were satisfied with the sanitation conditions in the facility. All stated they were treated respectfully by the officers and were receiving services required by the standards. Two detainees requested housing unit changes "due to concerns with gang activities". The concern was shared with the warden and classification specialist. The classification specialist will follow-up with the concern. Several LEP detainees from general population and the Special Management Unit were interviewed using the telephonic translation service. One detainee complained about the price of commissary items. The concern was shared with the warden.

The facility does not charge a co-pay for medical, mental health or dental care. Health services are provided by IHSC. Commissary services are provided by Keefe. All other services are provided by GEO employees.



Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concern observed during the inspection.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards. The facility complies with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011 for Over 72 hour facilities. No (0) standards were found Does Not Meet Standards, forty-one (41) standards were found to Meet Standards and one (1) standard was Not Applicable (N/A).

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and non-compliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

