June 29, 2007

Dear 1:

It is time again for the count of the Nation's prisoners at midyear. Enclosed is the National Prisoners Statistics (NPS-1A) data collection form for June 30, 2007. The form includes preprinted counts from the NPS-1A form that you submitted for June 30, 2006. Please update these counts, provide new counts for midyear 2007, and submit all data by July 31, 2007.

We also provide a Web reporting option for this collection. You can access NPS-1A at http://harvester.census.gov/nps/. Your password appears on the form to the left of the address label.

The collection agent for NPS is the Governments Division of the U.S. Census Bureau. If you need assistance in completing NPS-1A, please call Theresa Reitz at (800) 352-7229 or send an e-mail to: govs.nps@census.gov.

The Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended (42 USC 3732), authorizes the collection of these data. Although your participation is voluntary, we need your help to make these counts accurate and timely.

Thank you for your continued support of BJS' statistical programs. If we can assist you, feel free to contact me at (202) 514-1062.

Sincerely,

William J. Sabol, Ph.D. Chief, Corrections Statistics Program

Enclosures.