UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

JAN 23 2012

OFFICE OF
CIVIL RIGHTS

Return Receipt Requested
Certified Mail#: 7004-2510-0004-2241-5322

In Reply Refer to:
EPA File No. 07R-11-R4

Ms. Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
Office for Civil Rights
Office of Justice Programs
810 7th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20531-3718

Re: Referral of Administrative Complaint

Dear Ms. Robinson:

On June 6, 2011, [redacted] filed an administrative complaint (see enclosure) with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Civil Rights (OCR) alleging that the Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC), the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice (GDJJ), the Children and Youth Coordinating Council, and the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council violated Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (Title VI), 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d *et seq.*, and EPA's nondiscrimination regulations found at 40 C.F.R. Part 7, by re-opening the J.C. Larmore Probation Detention Center in Fairburn, Georgia. OCR has determined that the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice, the Children and Youth Coordinating Council, and the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council do not receive EPA financial assistance and therefore, are not EPA recipients. Since the Department of Justice has subject matter expertise over the allegations in the complaint, EPA is referring this complaint to your office for review and action. We have copied [redacted] on this letter acknowledging that her complaint has been forwarded to the DOJ.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Karen Randolph of the External Compliance and Complaints Program by telephone at (202) 564-0732, via e-mail at Randolph.karen@epa.gov, or via mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20460

Sincerely,

Rafael Deleon
Director

Enclosure

cc: [redacted]

Stephen G. Pressman, Associate General Counsel
Civil Rights and Finance Law Office (MC 2399A)

Naima Halim-Chestnut, Title VI Coordinator
EPA Region 4

Teresa Murray, EEO Officer
EPA Region IV