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Report Date	Number	Employee Number	Number of Orders	Employer	Location
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Number of Workers	Shift	Project Type	Project Number	Closure Imposed	Closure Removed	Classification Unit Number	SIC
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Lab Samples Taken	Direct Readings	Results Presented	Sampling Inspection	Assisting Employees
N	N	N		

Head Office	Job Site
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEE REL COM 548 MICHIGAN ST VICTORIA BC V8V 1S3	Delta Sheriff Services 4450 Clarence Taylor Crescent RICHMOND, BC

Portion Inspected	Jobsite	Principal Contractor
	PARTIAL	

Type of Industry	Sherriff services
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Violations	REFER TO ORDERS ON FOLLOWING PAGE(S)
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Employer Representative Name	Accompanied By Employer Representative
Lorne Presley	LORNE PRESLEY
Employer Representative Position	Accompanied By Worker Representative
Snr Deputy Sherriff	Holly Childs, deputy sherriff
Telephone Number	Organization
604 940-4377	
Signature	Officer of the Board / Signature
	ALI, SHAMEINE

Administration Notes

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Inspection Text

Sherriff Services has adopted the protocol for protecting emergency responders from communicable diseases. Training needs to be fully implemented on the procedures which should be amended to reflect some site-specific issues.

Cleaning and disinfecting of the cell block area was inadequate. Contract cleaners were not thoroughly cleaning all areas daily. On inspection, some crawling "bugs" were seen on the floor and staff said that this was a regular occurrence. Special procedures were not seen for the cleaning of blood and body fluids. Staff were concerned that skin rashes by at least one colleague might be precipitated by the working environment. It was stated that it was impossible for the small number of contract cleaners to do a good cleaning job in the short time they were there to clean the whole facility.

Tongs were not available for handling hypodermic needles and the sharps container should be changed to ensure it was one that was "spill-proof"

It was obvious that steps taken to prevent violence in the workplace were inadequate:

eg:

Opening of cell doors by only one sheriff  
 Lack of a buddy system during transportation of persons to Surrey remand centre

Broken and non functional cameras

Lack of colour cameras for better vision and clarity

Lack of security eg lexon glass at the front counter (main registry) where employees handle cash or are sometimes faced by questionable members of the public.

Potential violence to judges or other employees of the court due to the prisoner docket barrier being less than 4 feet high. ( An incident had already taken place in the past when a judge was attacked by a prisoner who had jumped the docket)

It was obvious that a full risk assessment needed to be undertaken, risks assessed and control measures implemented.

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Order Number 1	Decision DL	WCB Reference OHS 4 41	Action Due Date 1999-08-20
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REFUSE, SPILLS OR WASTE MATERIALS HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO ACCUMULATE SO AS TO CONSTITUTE A HAZARD. IN PARTICULAR THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF ACCUMULATED DUST AND CRAWLING "BUGS" IN THE CELL BLOCK AREA.

THIS IS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION SECTION 4.41.

REFUSE, SPILLS AND WASTE MATERIAL MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO ACCUMULATE SO AS TO CONSTITUTE A HAZARD. REGULAR AND THOROUGH CLEANING AND DISINFECTING MUST BE EFFECTED AND STEPS TAKEN TO DEAL WITH IMMEDIATE CLEAN UP OF BIOHAZARDOUS MATERIAL - BLOOD AND BODY FLUIDS.

Employer's Compliance Action	Date	Decision	Initials

Order Number 2	Decision DL	WCB Reference OHS 6 36 (1)	Action Due Date 1999-08-19
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ENGINEERING AND/OR WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS HAVE NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED TO MINIMIZE OR ELIMINATE THE POTENTIAL FOR EXPOSURE TO BIOHAZARDOUS MATERIAL. IN PARTICULAR, MEANS OF HANDLING HYPODERMIC NEEDLES AND OF CLEANING BIOHAZARDOUS MATERIAL WERE DEFICIENT.

THIS IS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION SECTION 6.36(1).

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Order Number	3	Decision	DL	WCB Reference	OHS 6 38	Action Due Date	1999-08-19
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IT WAS ASCERTAINED THAT THE PROTOCOL USED FOR PROTECTION OF EMERGENCY RESPONDERS TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASE HAS BEEN ADAPTED (WITHOUT OBVIOUS REVISIONS). THE EMPLOYER HAS NOT INFORMED WORKERS ABOUT THE CONTENTS OF THE EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN AND/OR HAS NOT PROVIDED THEM WITH ADEQUATE EDUCATION AND TRAINING TO WORK SAFELY WITH AND IN PROXIMITY TO POTENTIALLY BIOHAZARDOUS MATERIAL. SOME BUT NOT ALL WORKERS HAVE UNDERGONE THE TRAINING.

THIS IS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION SECTION 6.38.

THE EMPLOYER MUST INFORM WORKERS ABOUT THE CONTENTS OF THE EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN AND PROVIDE THEM WITH ADEQUATE EDUCATION AND TRAINING TO WORK SAFELY WITH AND IN PROXIMITY TO POTENTIALLY BIOHAZARDOUS MATERIAL.

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Order Number	4	Decision	DL	WCB Reference	OHS 4 28 (2)(c)	Action Due Date	1999-08-19
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IT WAS DETERMINED THAT A RISK ASSESSMENT HAD BEEN UNDERTAKEN IN THE PAST. THE RISK ASSESSMENT PERFORMED IN A WORKPLACE IN WHICH A RISK OF INJURY TO WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE ARISING OUT OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT MAY BE PRESENT DID NOT INCLUDE THE CONSIDERATION OF THE LOCATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH WORK WILL TAKE PLACE.

THIS IS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION SECTION 4.28(2)(c).

THE RISK ASSESSMENT MUST INCLUDE THE CONSIDERATION OF THE LOCATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH WORK WILL TAKE PLACE. A NEW RISK ASSESSMENT MUST THEREFORE BE UNDERTAKEN BY PERSONS KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THE WHOLE PROCESS AT THESE PREMISES AND WHILE WORKERS ARE ON DUTY OUTSIDE THE PREMISED.

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Order Number	5	Decision	DL	WCB Reference	OHS 4 29 (b)	Action Due Date	1999-08-19
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IN A WORKPLACE ASSESSED AS POSING A RISK OF INJURY TO WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE ARISING OUT OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT, AND WHERE ELIMINATION OF THE RISK IS NOT POSSIBLE, THE EMPLOYER HAS FAILED TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES, POLICIES OR WORK ENVIRONMENT ARRANGEMENTS TO MINIMIZE THE RISK. INSPECTION NOTES OF THIS REPORT REFER.

THIS IS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION SECTION 4.29(b).

IF A RISK OF INJURY TO WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE IS IDENTIFIED BY AN ASSESSMENT PERFORMED UNDER SECTION 4.28 THE EMPLOYER MUST IF ELIMINATION OF THE RISK TO WORKERS IS NOT POSSIBLE, ESTABLISH PROCEDURES, POLICIES AND WORK ENVIRONMENT ARRANGEMENTS TO MINIMIZE THE RISK TO WORKERS.

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