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RE: Camacho, Jose CDC # F-61268

Mr. Camacho has been afforded the opportunity to live beyond the prison walls through Proposition 36 and an agreement reached with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office. The agreement, however, required him to serve a specified period of time in state prison to take advantage of programming that will help to ensure his success as a member of the community that he victimized for so long. This was a resolution reached by all parties, including Mr. Camacho and the court, who agreed that he needed the additional time in prison in order to increase his chances of successful assimilation into society. The Sacramento District Attorney urges the Board to find inmate Camacho unsuitable for early release as a 'Non-violent Second Striker.' This was the agreement of all parties and it should be honored.

In 1992, the inmate and his brother, both armed with handguns, shot a man in the chest. Thankfully the victim lived and, once again, Mr. Camacho was returned to state prison for 7 years.

On October 21, 1999, high on methamphetamine, Mr. Camacho again placed countless lives in jeopardy. As he drove the stolen construction truck at high speeds with CHP officers in pursuit, running red lights and swerving from lane to lane, it is only by luck that he did not injure or kill unsuspecting citizens on the road. His continued victimization of the community and the danger that he represents earned him a sentence of 27 years – life.

Proposition 36 did not necessarily give Mr. Camacho the proverbial key to the jailhouse door. The People had serious questions as to whether he presents a danger to the community and would therefore be ineligible for relief under PC 1170.126. Through a negotiated disposition, Mr. Camacho agreed to serve an additional 6 years and five months **of actual time** in order to continue programming and prepare himself for release into the community. This additional time was central to the agreement.

It is the People's position that Jose Camacho is not a suitable candidate for early release. He cannot be categorized as "non-violent" by any stretch of the imagination. Mr. Camacho should continue to serve

the time that he bargained for and the Superior Court endorsed. The People respectfully request the board to DENY early release.

Respectfully,

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