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Attn: Non-Violent Second Striker Board of Parole Hearings Correspondence NVSS P.O. Box 4036 Sacramento, CA 95812-4036

RE: Hutchison, Mark Jason CDCR#AZ7598

Dear Board of Parole Hearings,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Board regarding the administrative review of inmate Hutchison and his suitability for early release. Based upon his criminal history and the facts of his recent cases, the Inmate poses an unreasonable risk to public safety and should be not considered for early release.

Inmate Hutchison's commitment offense is failure to appear while out on bail. Inmate Hutchison was on a grant of Post Release Community Supervision when he arrested for possession for sale and transportation of a large amount of methamphetamine. While pending those charges, Inmate Hutchison absconded to Nevada and remained at large for approximately 11 months. In an effort to resolve the case, Inmate Hutchison pled to the failure to appear and the drug charges were dismissed.

While a failure to appear on its face hardly seems to pose a risk to public safety, it is indicative of this inmate's avoidance of the court process and consistent with his criminal history.

Inmate Hutchison's criminal history began in 1990 with two felony convictions for transportation of a controlled substance. Inmate Hutchison was initially granted probation. But while on probation, he was convicted of the strike offense, a residential burglary, a misdemeanor hit and run, a misdemeanor resisting arrest, a misdemeanor unlawful discharge of a firearm, a misdemeanor assault with a deadly weapon, two felony auto thefts, and a felony possession for sale of a controlled substance. In a three year period, Inmate Hutchison was convicted of six felonies and three misdemeanors.

Inmate Hutchison was finally sent to prison in 1993, after numerous probation violations. His performance on parole was equally pathetic and he was returned to prison multiple times. Between 1997 and 2007, Inmate Hutchison suffered 5 additional felony convictions and one misdemeanor. Of note, are two felony evading a peace officer with reckless disregard, another possession for sale of a controlled substance and an assault on a inmate. All of these offenses were committed while he was on parole.

Inmate Hutchison has a criminal history that spans 27 years, includes 12 felony convictions and 6 misdemeanor convictions. Inmate Hutchison has a demonstrated propensity for violence, contempt of law enforcement, endangerment to the public by evading peace officers and engaging in narcotics trafficking. His performance while on probation and parole was an abysmal failure. The fact that his current offense is a failure to appear should not detract from his history of violent and dangerous behavior. This is not an Inmate that should be given an opportunity to endanger peace officers or the public and to call this inmate a "Non-Violent Second Striker" is to ignore his actions and his criminal history. For all these reasons, the inmate poses an unreasonable risk to public safety and does not warrant early release.

Thank you for your time in considering this matter.

Sincerely,

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