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11 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS  
 12 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 13 AND THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT COMPOSED OF THREE JUDGES  
 15 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2284, TITLE 28 UNITED STATES CODE

16 **RALPH COLEMAN, et al.,**  
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 Plaintiffs,  
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 v.  
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 20 **EDMUND G. BROWN JR., et al.,**  
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 Defendants.

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**THREE-JUDGE COURT**

22 **MARCIANO PLATA, et al.,**  
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 Plaintiffs,  
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 v.  
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 Defendants.

C01-1351 TEH  
**THREE-JUDGE COURT**  
**DECLARATION OF ROSS MEIER IN  
 SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' JANUARY  
 2012 STATUS REPORT IN RESPONSE  
 TO JUNE 30, 2011 ORDER**

1 I, ROSS MEIER, declare as follows:

2 1. I am the Chief of the Population Management Unit of the Division of Adult  
3 Institutions for the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). I have been  
4 employed in this position since March 2010 and have been with the Population Management Unit  
5 since 2003. I have assisted in gathering data maintained by CDCR on numerous occasions. I am  
6 competent to testify to the matters set forth in this declaration, and if called upon to do so, I would  
7 and could so testify. I submit this declaration in support of Defendants' January 2012 Status  
8 Report to the Court's June 30, 2011 order.

9 2. As part of my duties, I manage the day-to-day intake of offenders from county  
10 jails, and the movement and housing of inmates throughout the state prison system. On October  
11 1, 2011, the state implemented public safety realignment under Assembly Bill 109. CDCR's  
12 most recent weekly report of population, which includes data through December 28, 2011,  
13 reflects that as of that date, the actual population for in-state adult institutions was 132,887  
14 inmates, or 166.8% of design capacity.

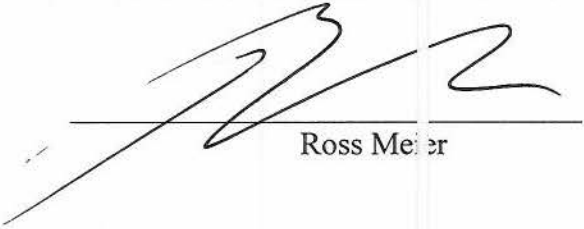
15 3. As comparison, there are 11,301 fewer inmates than were housed in California's  
16 prisons as recently as October 11, 2011, when California's historic public safety realignment was  
17 implemented, and 18,149 fewer inmates than when the Court issued its January 12, 2010 prisoner  
18 reduction order.

19 4. Defendants are currently constructing new health care facilities that will increase  
20 design capacity, including at the California Medical Facility (64-bed Intermediate Care Facility,  
21 scheduled for activation in early 2012), the California Institution for Women (45-bed  
22 Intermediate Care Facility, scheduled for activation in early to mid-2012), and the California  
23 Health Care Facility in Stockton, which will house 1,722 inmates and is expected to open in 2013.

24 5. Based on the current population and CDCR's revised population management  
25 plan, CDCR continues to project that Defendants will reach 155% of design capacity on or about  
26 June 27, 2012. Because Defendants' best projections show that they will be at or near 155% of  
27 design bed capacity at the time of the June 2012 benchmark, there appears to be no need to  
28 implement additional measures or to ask the Court to extend the benchmark dates at this time.

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I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Sacramento, California on January 6, 2012.

  
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