



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

Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights
Office of External Civil Rights Compliance

November 8, 2022

In Reply Refer to:

EPA Complaint No: 03X-23-R5

Steven Rosenbaum, Chief
U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division
Special Litigation Section
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20530
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RE: Referral of Administrative Complaint

Dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of External Civil Rights Compliance (OECRC) is referring the above-referenced complaint, which was received November 2, 2022. The complaint alleges that complainant was erroneously transferred to another facility in violation of his rights under the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, and Nineteenth Amendments of the United States' Constitution.

As this complaint does not fall within the OECRC's jurisdiction, OECRC must reject the complaint and close it as the date of this letter. Because the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) may have jurisdiction over the Kinross Correctional Facility, OECRC is referring this complaint to your office for appropriate action. We have notified the complainant that we are forwarding the complaint to DOJ and provided your contact information to complainant. A copy of our rejection letter, as well as the complaint, are enclosed.

If you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact Anhthu Hoang, Acting Director, at (212) 637-5033, by e-mail at hoang.anhthu@epa.gov, or by mail at U.S. EPA Office of External Civil Rights Compliance, (Mail Code 2310A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anhthu Hoang".

for Anhthu Hoang, Acting Director
Office of External Civil Rights Compliance
Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights

Steven Rosenbaum
Chief

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Enclosure: DOJ Referral Letter

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