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RE: Jones, Eddie Ray.

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Inmate Jones' criminal record spans over 20 years and includes multiple convictions involving drugs, guns, and violence. Inmate Jones is a well-established felon who has earned every day of his eight years and four months prison sentenced. The circumstances surrounding his current convictions and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable rick of violence to his community.

In January of 2015, at approximately 1:00 am, officers approached a well-known drug area in Sacramento County and observed a silver Chevy Impala parked in front of a residence. As officers passed the vehicle, they noticed one male in the driver's seat and a second male in the backseat. As officers took position behind the vehicle to obtain the car's license plate number, the backseat passenger fled on foot from the vehicle. A short foot pursuit ensued before that passenger was eventually caught by the officers and taken into custody.

As the officers walked back to the Chevy Impala, they observed the driver of the car pull away and flee the scene. A description of the suspect vehicle was broadcast for other officers, who later located the vehicle parked a short distance away in front of a different residence. The driver, later identified as Inmate Jones, was found hiding underneath a separate truck that was parked nearby. A plastic baggie containing 28 grams of Nartec positive methamphetamine, 5.93 grams of marijuana, a digital scale, and a cellphone, were also located underneath the truck where Inmate Jones was hiding.

After he was detained, a search of his person revealed \$716.11 in small bills, an eight-pack of AAA batteries, six plastic sandwich baggies, and six one-by-one baggies. The batteries were the correct size for the digital scale that was located with the Inmate.

The backseat passenger later admitted that he had met up with Inmate Jones to buy approximately \$15 of methamphetamine (about .2 grams). The passenger and Inmate Jones smoked a "blunt" together and the transaction was about to take place when officers approached. According to the passenger, Inmate Jones told him to run, which he did because he was scared.

A search of Inmate Jones' vehicle further revealed 2.19 grams of Nartec positive methamphetamine, a box of small Ziploc bags, and several loose sandwich bags, along with a spiral notebook that appeared to list names and numbers documenting narcotics sales.

A record check revealed Inmate Jones was on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and searchable probation for a 2011 conviction for a violation of Health and Safety Code Section 11358. As a result of that 2011 conviction, defendant was sentenced to 4 Years in State Prison. Defendant was paroled on August 7, 2014. A mere five months had passed before Inmate Jones was back to business as usual.

Inmate Jones was arrested for this incident on January 19, 2015 and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail. On March 2, 2015, Inmate Jones was released on bond. On June 25, 2015, at approximately 11:30p.m., officers observed a gray Nissan veer onto the east shoulder of the highway and stop with its hazard lights on. Officers pulled behind the vehicle to check on the welfare of the occupants. Officers approached the passenger side of the vehicle and saw that the ignition was damaged with its wires hanging down.

The driver was identified as Inmate Jones who was accompanied by an adult female passenger. Inmate Jones told officers that he had stopped the car on the highway because the car had stopped running. He also indicated that he had been driving the vehicle throughout the day, and that he was fixing it for his friend so that his female passenger could buy it.

While speaking with the officers, Inmate Jones was observed with red, watery eyes and droopy eyelids. A series of field sobriety tests were subsequently conducted and Inmate Jones performed poorly. After officers helped push the vehicle off the freeway, a record check revealed Inmate Jones was on PRCS and formal searchable probation.

A search of the vehicle revealed 11.9 grams of methamphetamine in a purse, and 1.6 grams of methamphetamine in a box that also contained digital scales and small Ziploc bags. The female passenger admitted that the meth found in the purse belonged to her. She told the officers that she was going to sell the meth for \$200 to help pay for rent. She would not reveal who she got the drugs from, or where she was taking it.

Inmate Jones is not only a continuing threat to the community because of his repeated involvement in selling dangerous narcotics, but his history proves he's also violent. In May 1992, at the age of 19, Inmate Jones was convicted of a felony violation of shooting at an inhabited dwelling/vehicle. In 1995, he was convicted of felony assault with a firearm and felon in possession of a firearm. Inmate Jones was sentenced to 3 years state prison, and was paroled in July 1997. He returned to custody on four separate occasions following parole violations, and was paroled in April 2001.

In December 2001, Inmate Jones was sentenced to State Prison for six years following felony convictions for discharging a firearm in a gross, negligent manner, and felon in possession of a firearm. In that case, on September 12, 2001, Sacramento Police Department officers responded to a home regarding a subject shooting a gun. Upon arrival, officers contacted several witnesses who stated that Inmate Jones was attending a children's party when he discharged a firearm.

According to witnesses, there were approximately 15 children in the backyard of the home breaking Piñatas. While standing approximately three feet away from the children, Inmate Jones discharged a firearm into the air. Inmate Jones then got in a verbal argument with two adult male family members, and subsequently fled the residence. He was located a short distance away and taken into custody.

In 2011, officers observed Inmate Jones in the driver's seat of a vehicle in a Dairy Queen parking lot in Sacramento County. During a consensual contact, Inmate Jones advised that he was on parole. A subsequent search of his vehicle revealed 27.4 grams of Nartec positive methamphetamine, 4.6 grams of marijuana, an operable digital scale and cell phone, and a pay/owe sheet. Inmate Jones was accepted into prison custody on August 11, 2011 and discharged on August 7, 2014. Less than a year later, Inmate Jones was arrested for his commitment offense.

As we are given 30 days to respond, and we are not provided with any disciplinary history or any other information aside from the one-page notice of parole review, I cannot comment on inmate Jones' prison conduct. However, in a pre-sentenced probation report provided to the Court and both Counsel prior to being sentenced in this case, Deputy Probation Officer noted that on 4/15/16, Inmate Jones received full restriction for seven days for assaulting another inmate. From the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Jones should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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