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Inmate Death at FCI Edgefield

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, December 26, 2022, inmate George Thacker was found unresponsive at the Satellite Prison Camp adjacent to the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Edgefield in Edgefield, South Carolina. Responding staff immediately initiated life-saving measures. Staff requested emergency medical services (EMS) and life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Thacker was transported by EMS to a local hospital and subsequently pronounced deceased by hospital personnel.

Mr. Thacker, who had pre-existing medical conditions which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, tested positive for COVID-19 post-mortem. Following a review of the recently received autopsy report, it was determined Mr. Thacker's death was related to COVID-19.

Mr. Thacker was a 59-year-old male sentenced in the Eastern District of Tennessee to a 33-month sentence for Wire Fraud. He had been in custody at FCI Edgefield since December 9, 2022.

The satellite camp at FCI Edgefield is a minimum security facility and currently houses 350 male offenders.

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