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Inmate Death at FMC Carswell

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, June 30, 2020, Teresa Ely tested positive for COVID-19. She was evaluated for congestion by institutional medical staff at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Carswell, in Fort Worth, Texas. She was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On Monday, July 13, 2020, her condition declined and she was placed on a ventilator. On Monday, July 20, 2020, Ms. Ely, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Ms. Ely was a 51-year-old female who was sentenced in the Western District of Virginia to a 252-month sentence for Engaging in a Criminal Enterprise and Continuing a Criminal Enterprise. Ms. Ely had been in custody at FMC Carswell since September 19, 2007.

FMC Carswell is an Administrative facility that currently houses 1357 female offenders.

The Bureau of Prisons will continue to provide daily updates and information on actions related to COVID-19 at www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp

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