

## Corrections Corporation of America Announces New Management Contract with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement at North Georgia Detention Center

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Nashville, Tenn., March 9, 2008 - Corrections Corporation of America (NYSE: CXW) ("the Company" or "CCA"), the nation's largest provider of corrections management services to state, federal and local government, today announced a new contract to manage detainee populations for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") at the North Georgia Detention Center in Hall County, Georgia with a total design capacity of 502 beds.

Under a five-year Inter-Governmental Service Agreement between Hall County, Georgia and ICE, CCA will house up to 500 ICE detainees at the facility. The Company will lease the former Hall County Jail from Hall County, Georgia. The lease has an initial term of 20 years with two five-year renewal options and provides CCA the ability to cancel the lease if it does not have a management contract. The Company currently anticipates opening the facility during the second quarter of 2009 and expects the facility to be substantially occupied by the end of 2009.

"We are proud to expand our partnership with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement," said John Ferguson, CCA's Chief Executive Officer. "The North Georgia Detention Facility will serve ICE's need for detention capacity as part of the government's strategy to deter illegal immigration and protect public safety." CCA currently partners with ICE to manage detainees at twelve CCA facilities.

CCA will employ approximately 160 correctional professionals in security, facility management, accounting, health services, human resources, business management, quality assurance and education. Bilingual candidates and other qualified professionals are especially encouraged to apply at one of CCA's upcoming career fairs. Interested applicants can visit <a href="https://www.ccajob.com">www.ccajob.com</a> for more information.

## About CCA

CCA is the nation's largest owner and operator of privatized correctional and detention facilities and one of the largest prison operators in the United States, behind only the federal government and three states. CCA currently operates 63 facilities, including 43 company-owned facilities, with a total design capacity of approximately 85,000 beds in 19 states and the District of Columbia. CCA specializes in owning, operating and managing prisons and other correctional facilities and providing inmate residential and prisoner transportation services for governmental agencies. In addition to providing the fundamental residential services relating to inmates, our facilities offer a variety of rehabilitation and educational programs, including basic education, religious services, life skills and employment training and substance abuse treatment. These services are intended to reduce recidivism and to prepare inmates for their successful re-entry into society upon their release. CCA also provides health care (including medical, dental and psychiatric services), food services and work and recreational programs. To learn more about CCA, visit <a href="https://www.correctionscorp.com">www.correctionscorp.com</a>.

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