E-mail Public Comments – for Sept. 9th Corrections Oversight Meeting

This is my first time also!

Please consider using electronic monitoring for high risk offenders who have "MAXED" their sentence (no longer under supervision) but are willing to submit to electronic monitoring voluntarily to protect themselves from false accusations, for the extra discipline and for peace within their communities. Such is the case with last summer's (2013) release of TS from SSCF in Springfield.

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This is the first time I have ever weighed in on a Corrections Oversight Committee Agenda but I can't resist, as electronic monitoring as an alternative to incarceration has been my pet issue for some years. I hope everyone takes a careful look at that. Brave New Worldish as it may seem, electronic monitoring in the community is the future of Corrections, even for serious convicted sex and violent offenders. Let's start being yet even more sensible, reasonably ensure public safety while saving money for more important needs besides needless incarceration for the sake of vengeance, and make it happen. OK, I'm off my soapbox.