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Appendix D: Informed Consent

Research to examine the relationship between recidivism, employment and PIE participation.

INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORM

The National Correctional Industries Association is conducting a study sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Assistance to examine the following questions:

- 1. Does PIE participation reduce recidivism?
- 2. Does PIE participation increase post release employment?
- 3. Does PIE participation decrease disciplinary reports?

Face to face interviews are being conducted with personnel in corrections, probation, parole, law enforcement, Employment Security Commission, and others having contact with the subject. The goal of these interviews is to clarify the process an inmate experiences through the corrections and community programs and to clarify the meaning of each data element collected. This project will provide more complete information on prison work programs and their impact on outcomes.

As part of the information gathering process for this study, we are contacting many individuals who are involved with inmate records. Our purpose is to gather information from a variety of sources that collect data on inmates. If you are willing to participate, we would like to ask questions designed to gather this information. The interview will take approximately one hour. All information you provide will be strictly confidential. All findings summarized for report purposes will be written so no one's answers or name can be identified. The information you provide will be used for research and statistical purposes only and no one outside the study will have access to the information you are providing. If you have any questions concerning this interview or other aspects of this research, you may contact Dr. Cindy Smith, Principal Investigator, Research Department of National Correctional Industries Association at (410) 230-3972.

You understand that taking part in this interview is purely voluntary. Furthermore, you may decline to answer any specific question or end the interview at anytime. There will be no consequences if you decide you do not want to participate.

My signature below shows that I have read the above and that I consent to take part in this study under the conditions presented.

Signature	Date
Witness	 Date