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Two Mississippi Department of Corrections Employees Begin New Positions at SMCI

Leakesville – South Mississippi Correctional Institution superintendent, Ron King, announced today the appointment of James Lee Brewer as warden at SMCI and the promotion of case manager Theresa Seabrook to the position of associate warden at the South Mississippi Correctional Institution at Leakesville. These position changes became effective February 1, 2003. SMCI became operational as a 500-bed medium security prison in April 1989 and employed approximately 250 people. Today this prison has a capacity to house 2214 inmates and currently has in its employ 552 people.

Brewer began his career in 1977 as a correctional officer at the Mississippi State Penitentiary (MSP) at Parchman. He is a 1978 graduate from Mississippi Valley State University and holds a Bachelor of Science degree. Warden Brewer, from Cleveland, MS, worked his way up the career ladder at MSP. He was promoted to captain at the delta prison in 1999, a position he held prior to his recent appointment as warden at SMCI II. Warden Brewer serves as a deacon at Mt. Pleasant Church in Morehead, Miss. He is also a board member with "100 Men of Bolivar County." Additionally, he is a scoutmaster with Troup 4203 of the Boy Scouts of America.

Theresa Seabrook, of State Line, Miss., was promoted to associate warden at SMCI I. Prior to her association with the MDOC, Seabrook worked in business management for 7 years. She began her career as a correctional officer trainee with MDOC in October 1989, and worked primarily as a case manager at SMCI until her recent promotion to associate warden.

"We are indeed fortunate to have employees with leadership ability within our ranks to fill these key management positions at SMCI," said Commissioner Christopher Epps."