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Dear _____ :

On June 29, 2009 Captain Robert Jensen received your letter referencing censorship of your publication "Under Lock & Key." You state "the publication was censored because it was sent Presorted Standard, and that the prisoners who were intended to receive it (_____ and _____) did not have a subscription to the newsletter."

Captain Jensen wrote in his April 15, 2009 letter, "As per policy the letters you refer to were returned unopened because they were sent Presorted Standard and there has been no notification in writing as to any publication subscriptions for any inmates."

As per the following Department policy the letters were returned:
FDr03/02.01 M. General Mail Regulations. "It is the inmate's responsibility to promptly notify the Mail Unit and the Property Unit in writing of his/her standard postage publication subscriptions (i.e. Magazines, Newsletters, etc.) regardless of whether the subscriptions are paid for by the inmate or by another person. It is not necessary for inmates to notify the Mail Unit or Property Unit of their subscriptions that are listed on the Magazine Matrix."

We do not censor mail at the Central Utah Correctional Facility, if the inmates you have referenced in your letter want your publication; they simply need to write a letter to the Mail Unit stating what the publication is and that it will be delivered Presorted Standard.

This process has been reviewed by the Utah Attorney General's Office, who has found it to be reasonable. I hope this clears up any concerns or questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. C. Bigelow" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alfred Bigelow
CUCF Warden

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cc: DIO Director Clark
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