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Bernie Conlon Secretary to the Inquiry Arthur House 41 Arthur Street Belfast BT1 4GB

Dear Madam,

RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS

I refer to the above and your letter of 2nd November 2011.

I am instructed that in the RBHSC radiology department in November 1995 the practice was for a radiographer to record the radiation dose on the back of the x ray request form. This form would then be matched to the corresponding film/films and sent to the radiologist for reporting.

Portable x ray films taken for the position of lines etc would immediately be taken back to the referring clinician for interpretation and the form would be filed in the department until the film was returned to the department for reporting. Then it would once again be matched to the corresponding film and sent to the radiologist for reporting. Once the examination was reported the form was placed in the x ray folder and filed in the department or returned to the ward.

One copy of the report was stuck onto the outside of the envelope, one copy was stored in the patient's medical record and one copy was filed in the x ray department. If a film was not returned for reporting the x ray form would be destroyed after 6 – 12 months.

Yours faithfully

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