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Our Ref: HYP B04/2 Date:

9 September 2011

Ms Bernie Conlon Secretary Inquiry into Hyponatraemia- related deaths Arthur House 41 Arthur Street Belfast BT1 4GB



Dear Madam

RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS -CLAIRE ROBERTS

I refer to the above and to my letter of 9th August 2011(BC-0040-11) in response to your letter dated (BC-0040-11) in which DOCUMENTS REQUEST 1 and 2, and FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR RBHSC 1,2,6 and 16 remained outstanding, I now enclose further responses.

DOCUMENTS REQUEST

- 1. Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children did not in October 1996 and does not now have guidelines, procedures or protocols on the diagnosis and management of a child with a reduced level of consciousness.
- 2. Response to follow

B. FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR RBHSC

- 1. Dr Elaine Hicks and Dr David Webb, Consultant Paediatric Neurologists. Dr B B Sawhney, Consultant Neurophysiologist, RVH.
- 2. Neuropathologists do not read EEGs so the answer to the question asked is No.
- 6. Patient allocation nursing.
- 16. The nursing process by Roper, Logan and Tierney was in use within nursing. There would also have been medical input into nursing care via notes made during ward rounds.

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Yours faithfully

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