The Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths

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Dear Ms Beggs,

Re Raychel Ferguson Preliminary

Thank you for your letter 4 April enclosing revised index to file 141 referring to a number of documents withheld as either privileged or Inquiry related.

In relation to each of the documents over which privilege is asserted, please identify the basis upon which privilege has been claimed. Please also advise if your clients have considered whether the public interest in an effective inquiry would justify waiver of the privilege asserted in respect of these documents.

In respect of the documents which have been withheld as "Inquiry related" please explain precisely the basis on which these documents have been withheld.

A response by 21 April is requested. We will await your response before re-issuing the file to Interested parties.

Yours sincerely,

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