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Dear Madam,

## RE:INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS-RAYCHEL FERGUSON GOVERNANCE

I refer to your letter of 15<sup>th</sup> August 2013. The Western Trust instructs as follows: -

The Trust believes that Mr Bradley's reference to meetings with the local Directors of Nursing is likely to have been The Senior Nursing Advisory Group meetings which Trust Directors of Nursing would have attended. The Trust believes when Mr Bradley refers to meetings "with fellow other area Board Chief Nurses at our regular meetings" he is referring to the Regional Group which would have been attended by Mr Bradley and the other Chief Nurses of the various other boards at that time. The Department may also have been represented at those meetings. However, representatives from the Trust would not have been in attendance at Regional Group meetings.

- 1. The Trust cannot locate the local Director of Nurses documentation sought. The PA to the Director of Nursing at the relevant time is still employed with the Trust and she has been unable to find any documentation regarding same. The IT Department have provided access to old electronic files to assist with this search, however, there is no documentation relating to these meetings on the system.
- 2. The Area Board Chief Nurses information would not be held by the Trust.
- 3. As per question 1 above the searches were conducted by the PA to the relevant Director of Nursing and the IT department.

Yours faithfully

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