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Honorable Carolyn Lerner Special Counsel United States Office of Special Counsel 1730 M Street, N.W., Suite 218 Washington, D.C. 20036-4505

Re: OSC FILE DI-10-1024

Dear Ms. Lerner:

I have reviewed Mr. Walter A. Hall's October 13, 2011 response to Ms. McMullen's inquiry regarding the tenure and magnitude of Northport V.A.M.C.'s unaccredited nuclear medicine residency program.

V.A.'s determination that 4,167 patients were seen between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2010 is consistent with my own observations.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Colin Clarke, M.D.