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**Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear FOIA/Privacy Officer:

I am submitting this letter request for public records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, and request copies of any and all files and records related to St. Albans Naval Hospital and/or St. Albans Veterans Administration Hospital, and/or St. Albans Veterans Administration Extended Care Center (hereinafter collectively referred to as "St. Albans Hospital") located at 179-00 Linden Blvd, Jamaica, NY 11425 (Queens County), New York, as follows:

> Copies of any and all files and records relating to this facility at any time, including the 1964 radiation leak and contamination incident at St. Albans Hospital complex. Files and records include, but are not limited to, investigation reports, inspection reports, clean up reports, interview notes, test data and/or any citation(s) issued by any State or Federal regulatory authority. This request includes copies of questionnaires, audio recordings, photographs, videos, diagrams, drawings, sampling and testing reports, radiation dose reconstructions, engineering calculations, memoranda, and correspondence, to the extent such documents exist. This request specifically includes documentation relating to strontium-90 and/or radiation levels at the facility at any time, including exposure levels prior to, during and following the 1964 incident.

We are willing and able to pay reasonable search and copying fees. If we need to make arrangements for payment before you begin copying, please telephone me or my paralegal, Sharon Gulliksen at 804-775-7588.

If your office is not the appropriate office to receive this request, please forward it to the appropriate office for a thorough and prompt response. I would appreciate your advising me of the individual to whom you have forwarded my request.

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Time is of the essence in this request for public records. If you consider any portion or portions of any records within the scope of this request to be exempted from disclosure, please exclude such exempt portion and produce all non-exempt material within ten (10) days of the date of this request.

Any withheld records or portion of records should be identified in a list supplied with your response. The list should identify the record or portion of record withheld by date, addressee, author, and title, and describe the general subject matter of the record or portion of the record withheld and provide a statement of justification for the exemption from release.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact me at 804-775-1127. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Kimberly R. Hillman

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