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Our ref: [REDACTED]

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Dear Ms Goward

INQUEST – MR DERRYCK CROCKER – 22/06/1945

Further to your letter, dated 1st August 2024 in which you requested further assurance and update against the actions identified in the Inquest for Mr Crocker and you asked for the information to be returned to you by the end of September 2024. I apologise for the delay in responding to your request.

Following the sad passing of Mr Derryck Crocker on 10th May 2023, an inquest was heard and closed by yourself on 30th July 2024.

During the inquest [REDACTED], Consultant in Acute Medicine, gave oral evidence in relation to the Root Cause Analysis Investigation Report and associated Action Plan. As per your letter it was noted that further assurance was requested in relation to two of the actions, as follows:

Action 2b – HM Coroner requested an update following the observational peer review, being completed by an interventional radiologist from Papworth Hospital, which is scheduled to take place on 7th August 2024.

Action 6a – HM Coroner requested a copy of the approved SOP in relation to deterioration of patients following lung biopsy.

In addition during the inquest our team noted that further assurance was requested in relation to one further action as follows:

Action 2f – HM Coroner requested an update in October 2024 in relation to the training module on air embolism being produced by [REDACTED] for the Royal College of Radiologists.

I am now in a position to be able to provide the requested updates as follows:

Action 2b – The observational peer review was completed in August 2024 by [REDACTED] Consultant Cardiothoracic Radiologist at Cambridge University Hospitals. The Trust received the written outcome report (as per attachment 1).