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Kim Tart
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Ave, NW
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Washington, DC 20420

Dear Kim Tart,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) acknowledges receipt of the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) report on the loss of 55 boxes of Pathology and Laboratory records at the Salt Lake City VA Medical Center, Salt Lake City, UT.

According to the report, the records were contaminated with sewage water and were effectively destroyed. We understand that no recovery efforts were made because the records were in preparation for disposal. We further understand that to prevent future loss of records, the records will be housed in a new on-site storage location.

Based on this information, NARA is satisfied with the actions VA has taken and considers this matter closed. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

LAURENCE BREWER
Chief Records Officer
for the U.S. Government