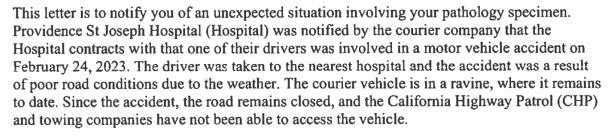


March 4, 2023



Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Mrs.



We believe your pathology specimen may be located in the courier vehicle at the bottom of the ravine. If your specimen was preserved in formalin and the container is intact, it is possible, once the vehicle is rescued, the Hospital can perform the ordered testing. Formalin does not freeze and is used to preserve pathology specimens.

We have been in contact with the CHP, and they agreed to notify us when the vehicle is retrieved. We have also notified your provider who can better advise you on recommended next steps in your medical care.

It is unfortunate that the accident occurred, and your specimen may be impacted. We will continue to communicate updates with you as we hear from the CHP. Once the vehicle has been retrieved and the Hospital determines that your specimen was involved, we will notify you and your provider.

If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (707) 445-8121, Ext. 5811.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

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