

<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSION OF INQUIRY ON HORMONE RECEPTOR TESTING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE CAMERON - COMMISSIONER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">APRIL 7, 2008</p> <p>Appearances:</p> <p>Bernard Coffey, Q.C. . . . . Commission Co-counsel Sandra Chaytor, Q.C. . . . . Commission Co-counsel Mandy Woodland . . . . . Commission Co-counsel</p> <p>Rolf Pritchard/Jenny Chair . . . . Her Majesty in Right of NL</p> <p>Peter Browne/Jane Hennebury . . . . Doctors Kara Laing et al</p> <p>Daniel Simmons . . . . . Eastern Regional Integrated . . . . . Health Authority</p> <p>Pamela Taylor. . . . . Members of the Breast Cancer . . . . . Testing Class Action</p> <p>Mark Pike . . . . . NL Medical Association Jennifer Newbury . . . . Canadian Cancer Society (NL Division) Stacey O’Dea . . . . . Central, Western and Labrador-Grenfell Regional Integrated Health Authorities</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LIST OF EXHIBITS</p> <p>EXHIBITS P-0163 THROUGH P-0165 . . . . . Pg. 6</p> <p>EXHIBITS ENTERED AND MARKED P-0301, P-0302, P-0303, P-0304, P-0305, P-0306, P-0307, P-0308, P-0310, P-0311, P-0312, P-0313 . . Pg. 6</p> <p>EXHIBIT ENTERED AND MARKED P-0161 . . . . . Pg. 302</p>
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1 Q. To deal with just one issue, and that is any  
 2 matters relating to LNMA's role in responding  
 3 to the information about the high rate of  
 4 conversion.  
 5 MR. PIKE:  
 6 Q. At this stage, that's correct.  
 7 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 8 Q. Okay. Yes, I'm satisfied that in fairness  
 9 that application should be granted on the  
 10 understanding that it is, of course, the  
 11 limited role that you have outlined and that  
 12 the role that you have enunciated is an  
 13 appropriate with appropriate limits. So  
 14 welcome to the group, Mr. Pike.  
 15 MR. PIKE:  
 16 Q. Thank you, Commissioner. Relinquishing the  
 17 chair to Mr. Coffey.  
 18 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 19 Q. Uh-hm. Mr. Coffey.  
 20 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 21 Q. Thank you. Commissioner, Mr. Ottenheimer is  
 22 back today.  
 23 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 24 Q. It's with our apologies for the delay, Mr.  
 25 Ottenheimer.

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1 MR. OTTENHEIMER:  
 2 A. I understood, Madam Commissioner.  
 3 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 4 Q. And, Commissioner, there are certain other  
 5 exhibits that I want to ask to be entered.  
 6 Could I be advised as to how far up we've gone  
 7 before? I just wanted to double check. My  
 8 numbering takes me up to P-0162 where we were  
 9 on the last day. Madam Commissioner, if we  
 10 could, P-0163 through 0165, if I could have  
 11 those entered, please.  
 12 EXHIBITS ENTERED AND MARKED P-0163 THROUGH P-0165  
 13 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 14 Q. 0163 to 0165?  
 15 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 16 Q. Yes. Okay. Commissioner, exhibit P-0300 to  
 17 P-0308 - that's 0301, 0302, 0303, 0304, 0305,  
 18 0306, 0306, 0307 and 0308.  
 19 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 20 Q. Yes.  
 21 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 22 Q. Exhibit P-0310, 0311, 0312, 0313.  
 23 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 24 Q. So that would be P-0310, 0311 and 0313?  
 25 COFFEY, Q.C.:

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1 Q. 0312 and 0313.  
 2 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 3 Q. So it's 0310 through 0313, respectively.  
 4 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 5 Q. Yes, Commissioner. Yes, excluding P-0309.  
 6 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 7 Q. Okay. All other counsel has received copies  
 8 of these documents, have they?  
 9 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 10 Q. I certainly understand, Commissioner, that  
 11 they have. I don't hear anything to the  
 12 contrary.  
 13 THE COMMISSIONER:  
 14 Q. Those documents are entered.  
 15 EXHIBITS ENTERED AND MARKED P-0301, P-0302, P-0303, P-  
 16 0304, P-0305, P-0306, P-0307, P-0308, P-0310, P-0311, P-  
 17 0312, P-0313  
 18 MR. JOHN OTTENHEIMER, EXAMINATION BY BERNARD COFFEY, Q.C.  
 19 - CONTINUED  
 20 COFFEY, Q.C.:  
 21 Q. Thank you. Now, well, if we could have--the  
 22 last day, Mr. Ottenheimer, we were at P-0046  
 23 when we ended. So if we just--Registrar,  
 24 please bring that up. This is the report of  
 25 Dr. Banerjee of October 17, 2005, and the

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1 report and the covering letter are dated the  
 2 same date. When we were here last day, we  
 3 were looking at--and I showed you on Page 4 of  
 4 the exhibit P-0046 - say Page 4 of the exhibit  
 5 P-0046 - under the heading, "Conclusions About  
 6 the Reasons for Test Failure," and there are  
 7 actually seven such reasons and we looked at a  
 8 number of those. What we didn't get to is  
 9 "Other System Flaws Observed," and that's by  
 10 Dr. Banerjee, and he lists seven. And the  
 11 first one of those is "A lack of dedicated  
 12 immunohistochemistry technologists" and he  
 13 goes on about that. "A lack of an officially  
 14 designated pathologist as director of  
 15 immunohistochemistry service." That's number  
 16 two. Number three, "A lack of standard  
 17 operating procedures from grossing fixation  
 18 tissue processing block selection, positive  
 19 control block selection, method optimization  
 20 through systematic titration, incubation time  
 21 and antigen retrieval time for each analite"  
 22 and, four, "lack of sub-specialization among  
 23 pathologists." And then it goes on about--  
 24 five, "Disconnect between the Laboratory  
 25 Program Direction, Division Manager, Clinical