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Date of Decision: January 31, 2004

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Re: Application #6148

Dear Dr. Baird Jr. and Ms. Baird

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on seeking and acquiring accreditation by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Echocardiography Laboratories. You and your staff are to be commended for demonstrating your laboratory's pursuit of excellence in the field of echocardiography.

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As you know, at the January 31, 2004 meeting of the ICAEL Board of Directors, the reviews of your application were evaluated and discussed. The additional materials submitted have also been reviewed. I'm happy to inform you that your laboratory has been awarded accreditation in the following area of echocardiography:

Adult Transthoracic

The Accreditation Portfolio is sent via UPS ground shipping to the Medical Director and contains the following items:

- a certificate for each clinical area in which your laboratory was granted accreditation.
- a press release announcing the recent accreditation of your laboratory.
- a CD-Rom containing the ICAEL logo designed for use by accredited laboratories.

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In addition to explaining what your laboratory's accreditation signifies, the press release enclosed within the Accreditation Portfolio includes basic statistics on cardiovascular disease, designed to explain the role of the echocardiography laboratory within the community. If you would like for us to send this official press release, on ICAEL letterhead, to your local news media, including newspapers, television and radio stations, please complete the media list included within your Accreditation Portfolio and return it to the ICAEL office. We will