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Dear Dr. Bell:

On behalf of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, I would like to invite epidemiologists from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to assist the Pennsylvania Department of Health with investigation of an outbreak of Mycobacterium avium complex infections associated with open heart surgery at a local hospital, and to conduct additional investigations as needed to identify the source and implement appropriate preventive measures.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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