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To Whom It May Concern:

On January 5, 2016, the Human Subjects Protection Committee (HSPC) approved the study described below in expedited review category 7.

Approval of the study is for the period of 1/5/2016 to 1/4/2017.

HSPC Project ID:	2015-0867
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Sincerely,

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