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September 7, 2011

Stan Johnson, Director Network 22
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300 West Oceangate, Suite 700
Long Beach, CA 90802

Subject: VISN 22 Consolidations of Laboratories

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In accordance with Article 44, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain on the VISN 22 Consolidation of Laboratories within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Chief Union Negotiator and negotiating team. Please provide the named bargaining committee with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The named bargaining committee may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please contact me at (217) 554-4866.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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