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Marc P. Volavka
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RE: PHC4's CABG Report

Dear Mr. Volavka:

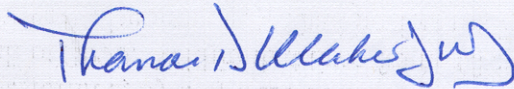
Thank you in advance for giving me the opportunity to submit a formal, written comment on the up and coming PHC4's CABG report.

During 2000, most of the procedures which were performed, by me, were done at St. Francis Central Hospital. This facility was closed in the fall of 2000. Within that time frame (from January, 2000 until early July, 2000 when the cases were discontinued), I had performed 77 CABGs and 14 CABGs with Valves for a total 91 cases there, in addition to the 50 procedures performed at St. Francis Medical Center.

Please apply this comment to my report.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office manager, Roberta Plohr or myself at 412-622-6708.

Sincerely,



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