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Honorable Novelle E. Franics, Jr.
Senate President
33rd Legislature of the U.S. Virgin Islands
Christiansted, VI 00820

Dear Senator Francis:

Avera is in receipt of your invitation dated July 30, 2020, to attend a Committee of the Whole Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, August 5, 2020. The Hearing asked us to provide testimony on the proposal/contract with the Department of Health.

Due to the fact that the proposal submitted to the Department of Health contains proprietary information not for public discussion and there is no contract between Avera and the V.I. Department of Health, or any other government agency, Avera respectfully declines your invitation to appear.

If there is a specific inquiry that you wish Avera to speak to, we will be glad to provide the answers in writing.

Sincerely,

Michael Pemberton
CEO