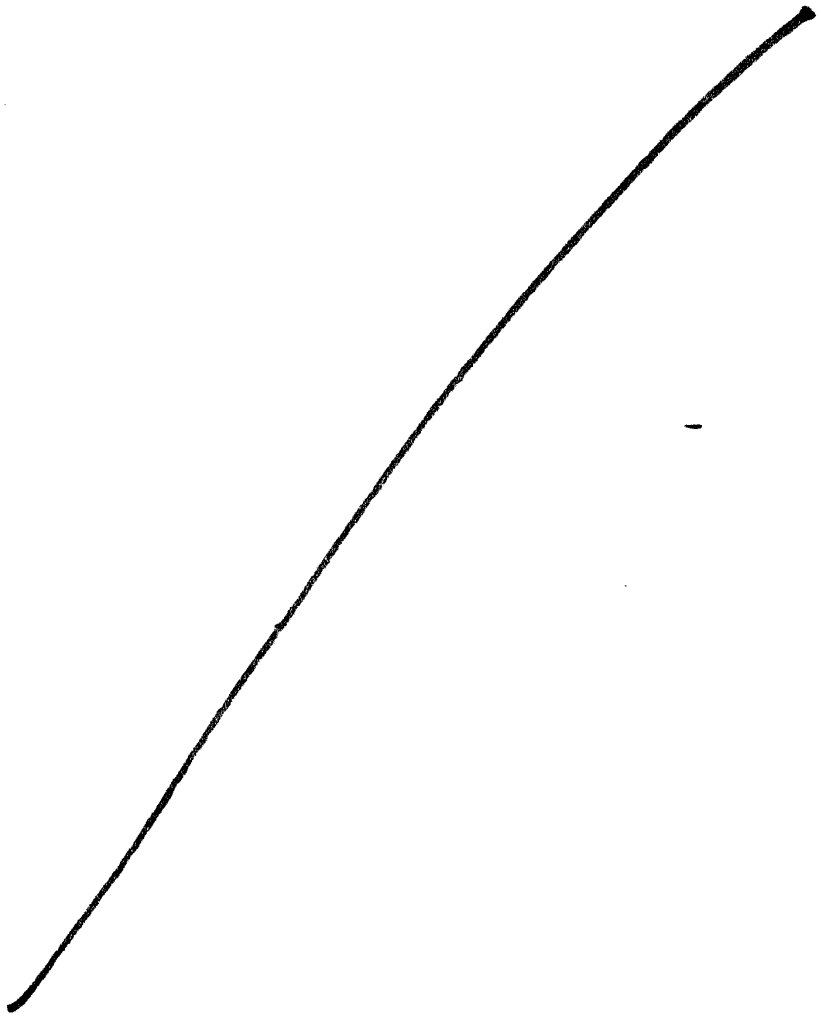
Validity Testing Information Part I

Laboratory Name: Express Analytical Laboratories
Address: 1301 18th Ave NW Suite110 Austin, MN 55912

Responsible Person: Joseph P. Watson (Printed Name)



I certify that the answers and information provided are true and correct as of this date. Any false, fictitious, or fraudulent answers or information provided may violate Federal Law and could subject me to prosecution, monetary penalties, or both (Sec 18 U.S.C. 1001; 31 U.S.C. 3801-812).

Susan Byl for Joseph P. Watson 10/03/00

Signature, Responsible Person Date

Joseph P. Watson

Printed Name, Responsible Person

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December 27, 2000

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Mr. Joseph P. Watson
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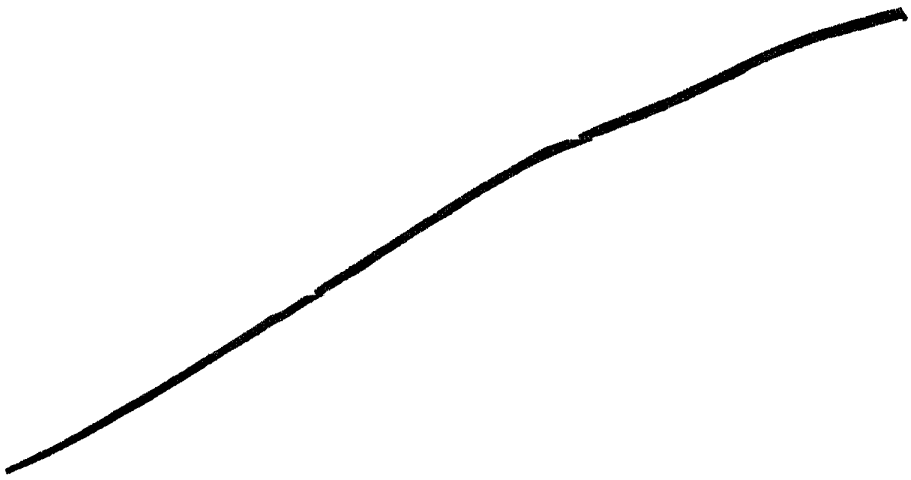
Dear Mr. Watson:

The enclosed critique was developed from the inspection report associated with the December 7, 2000, specimen validity testing inspection of your laboratory under the National Laboratory Certification Program (NLCP). The laboratory's procedures appeared to be in compliance with program guidance issued in Program Document 035 (September 28, 1998) and Program Document 037 (July 28, 1999).



The laboratory must ensure compliance with these program requirements. This will be reviewed at the next inspection.

The laboratory must review the enclosed critique and take all necessary corrective actions. All corrective actions must be implemented within 30 days receipt of this correspondence. ***Failure to comply may result in the laboratory's suspension to perform specimen validity testing on federally regulated specimens.*** All corrective actions will be reviewed at the next inspection.

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If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please call me at (919) 541-6176 or Dr. Michael Baylor at (919) 541-7043.

Sincerely,

Susan Crumpton
NLCP Technical Analyst

Enclosure

cc: Project Files/svt360

NATIONAL LABORATORY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Document Review and Critique

Laboratory I.D. Number: 0360
Document No. Final

Laboratory: Express Analytical Labs

Location: Austin, MN

Document Reviewed: [XX] Specimen Validity Testing Inspection Report

Date: 7 December 2000

A review of the National Laboratory Certification Program (NLCP) consensus inspection report has been completed. Issues identified during the inspection are described on the following pages. Evidence that appropriate remedial action has been taken is required for continued certification.

The following comments were noted, and appear in the same order as the corresponding questions in the Laboratory Inspection Report:

Section E. Standard Operating Procedures - Procedures Manual

[redacted]

Section F. Chain-of-Custody, Accessioning, and Security

[redacted]

Section G. Quality Control and Quality Assurance

[redacted]

Section I. Specimen Validity Tests

[redacted]

Section K. Records Audit

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Section L. Certification and Reporting

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