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Dear Ms. Harris:

I appreciate the conversation we had last week regarding your concerns about a Ewing's sarcoma cluster in Wake County. In response to your request, I have attached the updated statistical report from the cancer registry, addressing your specific questions regarding cancer statistics, how data is collected and the timeline for required cancer reporting.

Based on the additional information you provided, we have submitted this report to staff in the Epidemiology Section of the Division of Public Health for further review. Dr. Rick Langley, of the Office of Environmental Epidemiology, will contact you directly to discuss our investigation plan. In the meantime, if you have any further questions about the Central Cancer Registry, please call me at 919-715-4574.

Sincerely,

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Attachment (1)

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