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Dear Customer,

I am writing to you with an update on our alpha-1-antitrypsin phenotype (A1AT) service in Reference Biochemistry, part of Viapath Analytics LLP. As you will recall from our previous correspondence dated 5th April, we have suspended the service owing to supply issues encountered by the kit manufacturer, Sebia. We had expected this to last for several months, but Sebia have now informed us that they expect to be able to start supplying kits again in June.

Once we have a defined date for kit supply and have performed an internal verification, we will write to you again informing you of the date we will resume our A1AT phenotyping service. At that stage we will be able to accept your referral samples again. In the meantime, please accept our apologies for the continued suspension of service.

We apologise profusely for the suspension of the A1AT phenotyping service.

Please contact the Immunochemistry Laboratory at King's College Hospital (tel. 020 3299 4130) for further information or if you wish to discuss any clinically urgent cases.

Yours sincerely,



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