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Dear Ms Amis,

NICE Technology Appraisal on non small cell lung cancer (maintenance) - Pemetrexed

As you are aware, I regret that I am not able to attend the Appraisal Committee meeting for the above Technology Appraisal, on 11th November. We do not have any additional scientific research to add to this appraisal. However, we would wish to remind the Committee of the overall poor prognosis and low survival rates for this patient group. Even relatively small improvements in survival and quality of life, as compared with the current established therapy, are of real importance to patients. We hope that, during its deliberations, the Appraisal Committee will be mindful of this and take it in to account.

If you require anything further, please contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,