



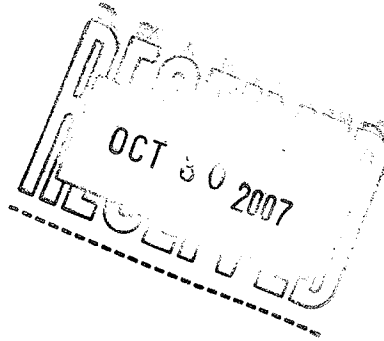
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Dear Mr. Paquin:

I am writing in response to your letter of October 18th and in response to your accompanying report.

Rutland Regional Medical Center agrees that an alternative method of transporting involuntary patients must be found. We are gathering information from Bennington County. I have called a meeting of all involved parties (RRMC, Regional Ambulance, Sheriff's Dept. and Rutland Mental Health) to establish a method for achieving this as quickly as possible. I will keep you informed of each step along the way.

I take this matter very seriously.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Huebner
President

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