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> Re: Kindred Healthcare, Inc. Definitive Schedule 14A Filed April 4, 2007 File No. 001-14057

Dear Mr. Landenwich:

We have reviewed your February 1, 2008 response to our comments of January 18, 2008. Without more detail, we cannot agree or disagree with your conclusion that you have an appropriate basis to omit the identified performance targets for the identified incentive plans. Since you are in possession of all of the facts related to your disclosure, we have decided that we have no basis to disagree with your decision to omit this information from your filing. As in all cases, we remind you that you are responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in your filings. We do not have any further comments on your filing.

If you have any further questions regarding our review of your filing, please call me at (202) 551-3350.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Krebs Special Counsel