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Dear Mrs Anne Belinda Example-Subject

You were recently sent a test kit from the NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Programme. This is a simple test you can carry out at home, which checks for signs of abnormalities (such as polyps or cancers) in the bowel. The test is designed to detect tiny traces of blood (not visible to the naked eye) in bowel motions.

If blood is found, then a further examination called a colonoscopy is recommended. This examination looks at the inside of the bowel. Only a few people completing the home test kit are advised to have a colonoscopy.

We do not appear to have received your completed test kit. If you sent us your kit **more than 7 days ago** but have not received a result, please call the **Freephone** number at the top of this letter. (If you sent your kit within the last 7 days please ignore this letter).

If you have any queries or concerns about using the kit, would like a replacement kit, or do not wish to take part in the screening programme, please contact us on the **Freephone** number.

If we don't receive a completed test kit from you, we won't contact you again until your next screening invitation is due. You will be invited to participate again in 2 years' time, unless you have reached your 75th birthday by then. People aged 75 or over are not automatically invited, but can request a test kit by calling us on freephone 0800 707 6060. If you will still be under 75 in two years' time and do not hear from us then, please contact us on the same number.

Yours sincerely



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