VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LETTA J. HALL, L.P.N.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), Letta J. Hall who, prior to its summary suspension Board of Nursing on February 8, 2008, held License No. 0002-063730 which was set to expire on September 30, 2009, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel/quorum of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on March 20, 2008, at 1:00 p.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Richmond, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Hall will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Hall has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Hall desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Letta J. Hall may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that Letta J. Hall, L.P.N., may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5) and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Board of Nursing Regulations, in that:

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- 1. On or about November 13, 2007, while on duty at Heritage Hall Clintwood, Clintwood, Virginia, Ms. Hall exhibited progressively sluggish behavior with difficulty concentrating and completing tasks. A review of patient charting by Ms. Hall for that day revealed chaotic, inaccurate and inappropriate information documented. On November 14, 2007, Ms. Hall submitted to a random urine drug screen which tested positive for methadone (schedule II) and propoxyphene (schedule IV). She did not have valid prescriptions for either of these medications.
- 2. On or before November 5, 2007, Ms. Hall offered to pay another nurse to divert Dilaudid (hydromorphone, schedule II) and Roxicet (oxycodone/APAP, schedule II) for her personal use.
- 3. On or about December 7, 2007, Ms. Hall submitted to a random urine drug screen which tested positive for Benzodiazepines, specifically Oxazepam; and Opiates, specifically Hydromorphone and Hydrocodone. She did not have prescriptions for Oxazepam and Hydromorphone drugs.

FOR THE BOARD

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Executive Director for the

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