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Dear Parent/Guardian of
This letter is to confirm you are aware that a newborn blood spot screen has not been done for your baby or that another newborn blood spot screen is needed. A public health nurse tried but was unable to reach you to make an appointment for the screen. The public health nurse tried to phone you on the following days: •
Your doctor or midwife has also been contacted and is aware that your baby needs a newborn blood spot screen done.
Your baby needs
a first newborn blood spot screen
another newborn blood spot screen
Your baby needs the newborn blood spot screen because
the screen hasn't been done yet
your baby was less than 24 hours old when the first screen was done
there was a problem with the blood spot card
the results of the first screen came back as borderline
your baby weighed less than 2000g at birth

For more information on newborn blood spot screen, please read the attached parent information sheet
Why does my baby need to be screened?
Please phone your local public health office as soon as you can to arrange your baby's newborn blood spot screen, to receive more information or to ask any questions that you may have about screening:
Sincerely,
Public health nurse first, last name