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DAN BROWNING, Star Tribune

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Lien: Please hold off setting up appointments with Crown and Oxford. See attached article in the Star today. Steve will be in touch with us on how we will be handling this. Tammy

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