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Richmond VA (January 13, 2009): National Medical Logistics of Richmond, VA has been selected by the Avera McKennan supply chain management team to assist in determining the optimal location for the relocation of their current medical/surgical products Storeroom operation. Due to continued growth, Avera McKennan has determined that the current storeroom space will be used for other needs.

As part of the project, NML assisted in evaluating all potential locations that could continue to provide the current level of service as well as potentially offer additional strategic opportunity for the Avera Health System. Specific analysis included current processes, material flow and customer geography.

According to Mark Brunick, Avera McKennan Director Materials Management, "Due to the project's scope we felt that we would benefit by having a qualified external entity help with the assessment effort. We chose National Medical Logistics because of their logistical focus, objectivity, healthcare expertise and flexibility to work with our hospital staff. The project allows Avera McKennan the ability to consider all of the best practice implementation concepts in the marketplace while still executing on our daily responsibilities."

About Avera McKennan

Avera McKennan is a member of Avera Health, a regional health care family of more than 235 facilities in the five-state region of South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska.

Avera McKennan Hospital and University Health Center in Sioux Falls consists of 545 hospital beds and extensive inpatient facilities recognized for excellence in many areas, including behavioral health, cancer care, cardiac care, emergency medicine and trauma, air ambulance services, hospice programs, medical education and research, neurosciences, obstetrics, orthopedics, pediatrics, rehabilitation services, kidney transplant services and a full range of wellness services. We are also home to the area's only pancreas and bone marrow transplant programs.

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