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Re: Triad Surgery Center at MedCenter High Point

Dear Mr. Smith:

Our practice, consisting of 19 general surgeons, has already written a letter in support of the development of the Triad Surgical Center by the Moses Cone Health System in High Point. This letter is to note our willingness to consider participating as investors in this joint venture.

Many of us have invested in various joint ventures with the hospital and other surgical centers in the past. While the financial benefits of such investment are important to all of us, there are other, more important, reasons to support these projects.

Having an ownership interest in projects such as this provides physicians direct input into the daily management and decisions. When there is no financial participation by physicians, all discussions about staffing levels, equipment purchases, hours of operations, etc. become arguments between the owners (a hospital system) and the users (the physicians). Joint ownership provides the physician a strong voice in the management of these entities. All of the jointly owned ambulatory surgical centers (ASC) with which I am personally familiar are much more efficiently managed than any that have no physician ownership. Joint ownership aligns the interest of the physicians and the hospital system.

I think the majority of the physicians in my practice may be willing to consider investing in this new ASC. So far we have seen only some early financial projections, so any decisions about investing will have to be made once more detailed information is available.

Again, we support the development of the Triad Surgical Center at MedCenter, High Point. We look forward to participating in its success through our financial support and by offering this ASC to our patients as an option for their surgical care.

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature of Christian J. Streck

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