



North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
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RESPONSE REQUIRED

September 11, 2015

Kristy Hubard
2131 South 17th Street
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Conditional Approval

Project ID #: O-11042-15
Facility: New Hanover Medical Center
Project Description: Develop the 31 acute care beds in the 2015 SMFP for a total of 678 acute care beds
County: New Hanover
FID #: 943372

Dear Ms. Hubard:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved the above referenced certificate of need application. This decision was made after a review of the applications submitted for this cycle and after consideration of the Certificate of Need Law, G.S. 131E-175 et. seq. and regulations promulgated there under, the State Medical Facilities Plan, and other applicable information. Attached to this letter are the required findings made with respect to your application. The applicant shall not proceed with the construction, offering or development of this project until the certificate of need is issued. Further, the Agency shall not issue the certificate of need until all applicable conditions of approval have been met pursuant to G.S. 131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

1. New Hanover Regional Medical Center shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
2. New Hanover Regional Medical Center shall not acquire, as part of this project, any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditure in Section VIII of the application and which would otherwise require a certificate of need.



Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

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3. New Hanover Regional Medical Center shall add no more than 31 new acute care beds and relocate no more than 9 existing acute care beds to the new 40-bed acute care bed unit, for a total of no more than 678 acute care beds upon project completion.
4. Prior to issuance of the certificate of need, New Hanover Regional Medical Center shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section in writing.

Response to the above conditions should be submitted to the Agency no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency making a determination not to issue a certificate of need for the project referenced above.

The conditional approval is valid only for a capital expenditure of **\$39,234,000**. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by G.S. 131E-176(16)(e).

The applicant should be aware that according to the Certificate of Need law any affected person shall have thirty (30) days after the date of decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by the conditions of the decision you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with G.S. 150B, Article 3, as amended. This petition must be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, 6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714 within thirty (30) days of the date of this decision. [Note: Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).]

G.S. 150B-23 provides that a party filing a petition must also serve a copy of the petition on all parties to the petition. Therefore, if you file a petition for a contested case hearing, you must serve a copy of the petition on the Department of Health and Human Services by mailing a copy of your petition to:

Emery Milliken
Department of Health and Human Services,
Office of Legal Affairs,
Adams Building – Room 154
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

It is requested that a copy of the petition also be served on the Agency.

The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending **October 12, 2015**. If a contested case request is received within the thirty (30) day period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved (10A NCAC 14C .0208).

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The timetable for completion of the project is the timetable outlined in the certificate of need application, unless an adjustment has been made by the Agency because the review period was extended. The timetable for this project is as follows:

Completion of Final Drawings and Specification _____	July 15, 2016
Approval of Final Drawings and Specification by the Construction Section, DHSR _____	November 1, 2016
Contract Award _____	December 1, 2016
25% Completion of Construction _____	July 1, 2017
50% Completion of Construction _____	December 1, 2017
75% Completion of Construction _____	April 1, 2018
Completion of Construction _____	September 1, 2018
Occupancy/Offering of Service(s) _____	October 1, 2018

If the decision is appealed, the timetable set forth in this letter will be adjusted accordingly before the Certificate of Need is issued. Please contact this office if any clarification of this decision is required.

Please refer to the Project ID # and Facility ID # (FID) in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Tanya S. Rupp, Project Analyst

Lisa Pittman, Team Leader
Certificate of Need

Attachment

cc: Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR
Construction Section, DHSR
Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing notice of **conditional approval** on the following person by placing a copy in an official depository of the United States Postal Service in a postage-paid, first class envelope addressed as follows:

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Wilmington, NC 28402

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This the 11th day of September, 2015

Tanya S. Rupp, Project Analyst
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