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**Exempt from Review**

Facility: Duke University Health System  
Project Description: Acquire information technology to implement critical services at the new  
NC-1 data center  
County: Durham  
FID #: 943138

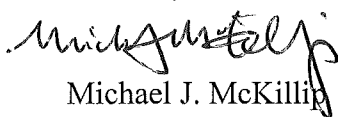
Dear Ms. Cummer:

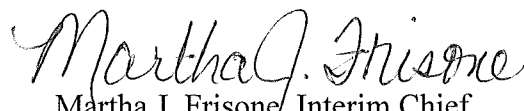
In response to your correspondence of July 29, 2014, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-131E-184(a)(3). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

It should be noted that this determination is binding only for the facts represented by you. Consequently, if changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in your correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is required would need to be made by the Certificate of Need Section. Changes in a project include, but are not limited to: (1) increases in the capital cost; (2) acquisition of medical equipment not included in the original cost estimate; (3) modifications in the design of the project; (4) change in location; and (5) any increase in the number of square feet to be constructed.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

  
Michael J. McKillip  
Project Analyst

  
Martha J. Frisone, Interim Chief  
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**Certificate of Need Section**

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## Evans, Stephanie

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**From:** Mckillip, Mike  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:36 AM  
**To:** Evans, Stephanie  
**Subject:** FW: DUHS IT Notice of Exemption



Hi Stephanie,

This is an exemption request from Duke via email. Thanks.

Mike

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**From:** Catharine Cummer [mailto:[catharine.cummer@duke.edu](mailto:catharine.cummer@duke.edu)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2014 7:05 PM  
**To:** Mckillip, Mike  
**Cc:** Caroline Niblock  
**Subject:** DUHS IT Notice of Exemption

Mike,

I am writing to provide the CON Section with notice of a Duke University Health System information technology project at a capital cost greater than \$2 million. Duke intends to spend approximately \$2.4 million to implement critical services at the new NC-1 data center that when completed will provide the ability for NC-1 to be a stand-alone site for hosted applications. These services include internet connectivity for web accessible applications; authentication services, firewall services, load balancing services and redundant WAN connectivity to sites including other data centers, clinics, Duke Raleigh Hospital, and Duke Regional Hospital.

It is our understanding that this project is exempt from certificate of need review as necessary for the acquisition and installation of data processing equipment. We would appreciate your confirmation of this understanding. Please let me know if you have any questions about this project. Thank you very much.

Yours,

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