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Exempt from Review - Acquisition of Facility

Facility:

MedWest Haywood Home Care and Community Programs (formerly Home Care

Services of Haywood Regional Medical Center)

Type of Facility:

Home Health Agency

Acquisition by:

DLP Haywood Regional Medical Center, Inc.

County:

Haywood

FID#:

953786

Dear Mr. Burgess:

In response to your letter of June 30, 2014, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, DLP Haywood Regional Medical Center, Inc. may proceed to acquire the above referenced health service facility without first obtaining a certificate of need. However, you need to contact the Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section of the Division of Health Service Regulation to obtain instructions for changing ownership of the existing facility. Note that pursuant to G.S. 131E-181(b): "A recipient of a certificate of need, or any person who may subsequently acquire, in any manner whatsoever permitted by law, the service for which that certificate of need was issued, is required to materially comply with the representations made in its application for that certificate of need."

It should be noted that this Agency's position is based solely on the facts represented by you and that any change in facts as represented would require further consideration by this Agency and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Julie Halatek Project Analyst

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Martha J. Frisone, Interim Chief Certificate of Need Section

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Via Hand Delivery

Ms. Martha Frisone **Acting Chief** Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation N.C. Department of Health and Human Services 809 Ruggles Drive Raleigh, NC 27603

RE: Notice of Exempt Acquisition of an Existing Health Care Facility and Request for No Review Determination: Acquisition of Home Care Services of Haywood Regional Medical Center (FID #953786)

Dear Ms. Frisone:

Our firm represents DLP Haywood Regional Medical Center, Inc. ("DLP Haywood") and DLP Healthcare, LLC ("DLP Healthcare"). We are providing this letter pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(8) to inform the Certificate of Need Section ("CON Section") that DLP Haywood proposes to acquire ownership and control of substantially all of the assets of Home Care Services of Haywood Regional Medical Center ("Haywood Home Care"), located in Clyde, North Carolina. As you are probably aware, Haywood Homecare is a licensed and Medicare-certified home health agency (Lic. No. HC0109), which is licensed to Haywood Regional Medical Center.

DLP Haywood and Haywood Regional Medical Center, a North Carolina Hospital Authority ("the Authority") will enter into an asset purchase agreement pursuant to which DLP Haywood will acquire all of the assets of Haywood Home Care. The Authority is a North Carolina Hospital Authority established pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. section 131E, Part B. DLP Haywood is a Delaware corporation authorized to do business in North Carolina and is a related entity to DLP Healthcare. DLP Healthcare is a joint venture between Duke Quality Network, Inc. (a wholly-controlled affiliate of Duke University Health System, Inc.) and DLP Partner, LLC, a Delaware company which is a related entity to LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., a publicly-traded company that operates 61 hospital campuses in 20 states. An organizational chart depicting the post-closing corporate ownership structure is attached for your convenience.

DLP Healthcare was formed for the purpose of strengthening and improving the delivery of healthcare services throughout North Carolina and the surrounding regions by creating flexible affiliation options for community hospitals. DLP Healthcare currently has affiliation and/or joint ownership arrangements with other North Carolina community hospitals.

As previously noted, in the proposed transaction, DLP Haywood will acquire ownership and control of all of the assets of Haywood Home Care. A home health agency office is an existing health service facility as defined under North Carolina's Certificate of Need Law at N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-176(9b). The Certificate of Need Law provides that, upon receiving prior written notice, the CON Section shall exempt Ms. Martha Frisone Acting Chief, CON Section June 30, 2014 Page 2

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from CON review the acquisition of "an existing health service facility, including equipment owned by the health service facility at the time of acquisition." N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(8).

The purpose of this letter is to serve as the prior written notice required by that statutory provision. Accordingly, we would appreciate receiving written confirmation that DLP Haywood's proposed transaction whereby it will acquire ownership of the assets of Haywood Home Care, as described herein, is exempt from CON review.

Thank you in advance for your prompt consideration of this request. The parties wish to close the proposed transaction on or about July 31, 2014, and we request a response from you before that time, if possible.

Please contact us if you have questions or need any additional information.

With best regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Kenneth L. Burgess

Partner

Enclosures

cc: (via e-mail, w/ enclosure)

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Division of Health Service Regulation

Effective January 01, 2014, this license is issued to Haywood Regional Medical Center

to operate an agency known as

Home Care Services of Haywood Regional Medical Center

located at 560 Leroy George Drive City of Clyde, North Carolina

This license is issued subject to the statutes of the
State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire
midnight December 31, 2014.

Facility ID: 953786 License Number: HC0109

Home Care Services: Nursing Care, Injusion Nursing, In-home Aide, Medical Social Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Nursing Pool Services, Companion, Sitter, Respite

This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.

Authorized by:

Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and

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Director, Division of Health Service Regulation

