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June 30, 2014

Jeffrey Shovelin, Director, Corporate Planning Vidant Health Post Office Box 6028 Greenville, North Carolina 27835-6028

Exempt from Review – Physician Office Building

Provider:

Vidant Health

Project Description:

Construct multispecialty medical office building in Belhaven

County:

Beaufort

Dear Mr. Shovelin:

In response to your letters of June 18, 2014 and January 17, 2014, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C.G.S 131E-184(a)(9). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Construction and the Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections of the Division of Health Service Regulation to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed physician office.

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,

cc:

Jane Rhoe-Jones

Project Analyst

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June 18, 2014

Ms. Jane Rhoe-Jones Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation NC Department of Health and Human Services 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

RE: Request for "No Review" for Belhaven (Beaufort County) Medical Office Building – Additional Information

Dear Ms. Rhoe-Jones:

Per your request, Vidant Health has isolated and separated out the construction and equipment costs associated the lab and radiology areas of the proposed Belhaven Medical Office Building (MOB) in Beaufort County. Attached are the drawings with the lab and radiology areas highlighted along with a breakout of the equipment and construction costs for each area.

The total cost for just these two areas is estimated to be \$441,260 based on:

- Lab Construction \$100,448
- Lab Equipment (counter top for basic and rapid lab profiles) \$20,000
- Radiology Construction \$90,812
- Radiology Equipment (fixed digital x-ray system) \$230,000

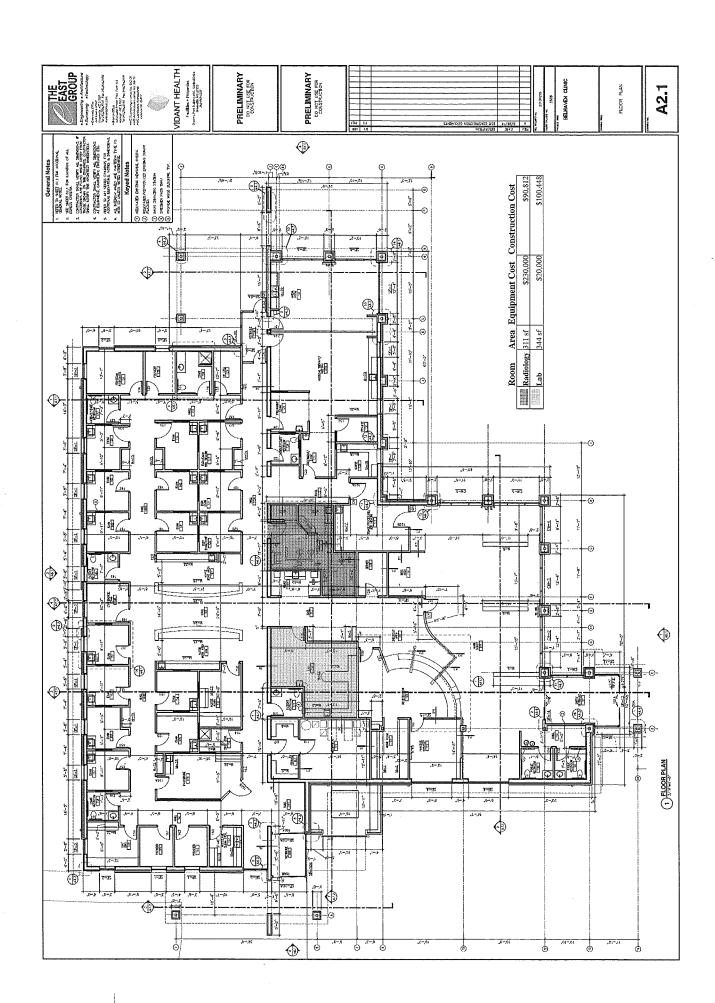
VH believes the lab and radiology services to be provided would not classify the MOB as a diagnostic center since the total cost to develop both services (equipment and construction) is below the \$500,000 threshold for a diagnostic center as defined in G.S. 131E-176 (7a).

If you require additional information or clarification, please contact me at (252)-847-3631.

Jeffrey Shovelin

Director of Corporate Planning

Vidant Health





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January 17, 2014

Ms. Jane Rhoe-Jones Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation NC Department of Health and Human Services 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

RE: Request for "No Review" for Belhaven (Beaufort County) Medical Office Building

Dear Ms. Rhoe-Jones:

Vidant Health (VH) plans to build a multispecialty medical office building in Belhaven, NC (Beaufort County). VH believes that the proposed additional equipment is not subject to review under North Carolina's Certificate of Need (CON) laws.

The proposed project includes the construction of a new 12,000 square foot medical office building. The facility will include space for primary care and specialist clinics, outpatient rehab, phlebotomy, and diagnostic x-ray. No new institutional health services will be provided in the facility. The reason for the project is to meet current and projected access to outpatient physician services for the residents of Belhaven and Hyde County. The project will be funded through accumulated reserves. The total capital cost for the proposed project is estimated to be \$4.3M. These costs include all expenses associated with construction and equipment.

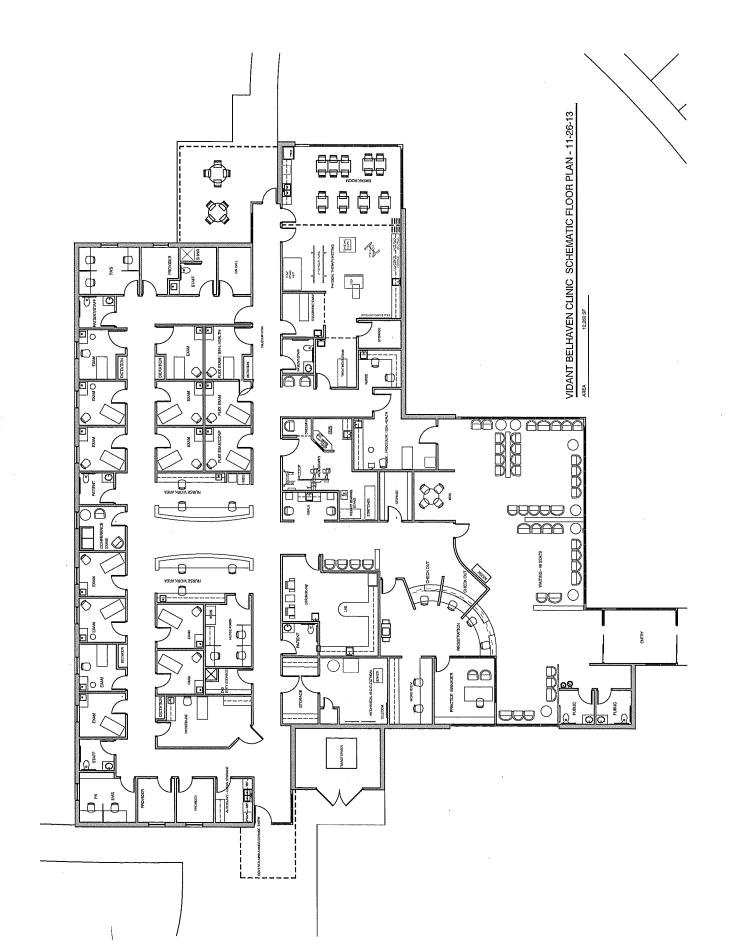
Per G.S. 131E-184(9), "the Department shall exempt from certificate of need review a new institutional health service if it receives prior written notice from the entity proposing the new institutional health service, which notice includes an explanation of why the new institutional health service is required, for any of the following to develop or acquire a physician office building regardless of cost, unless a new institutional health service other than defined in G.S. 131E-176(16)b. is offered or developed in the building." Since the project is for a physician office building and does not contain any new institutional health services, VH believes the proposed project is exempt from review and requests approval of a no review status for the proposed project.

If you require additional information or clarification, please contact me at (252)-847-3631.

Jeffrey Shovelin

Director of Corporate Planning

Vidant Health



CAPITAL COST SUMMARY

Site Costs 187,500 (1) Full purchase price of land Acres 3 Price per Acre \$62,500 \$ (2) Closing costs \$ (3) Site Inspection and Survey (4) Legal fees and subsoil investigation \$ (5) Site Preparation Costs [Include] Soil Borings Clearing and Grading Roads and Parking Sidewalks Water and Sewer Excavation and Backfill Termite Treatment **Sub-Total Site Preparation Costs** (6) Other (Specify) \$ (7) Sub-Total Site Costs **Construction Contract** (8) Cost of Materials [Include] General Requirements Concrete/Masonry Woods/Doors & Windows/Finishes Thermal & Moisture Protection Equipment/Specialty Items Mechanical/Electrical Sub-Total Cost of Materials 1,788,900 1,317,600 (9) Cost of Labor (10) Other 3,106,500 (11) Sub-Total Construction Contract Miscellaneous Project Costs (12) Building Purchase 400,000 (13) Fixed Equipment Purchase/Lease (14) Movable Equipment Purchase/Lease \$ 0 \$ 0 (15) Furniture (16) Landscaping 0 (17) Consultant Fees Architect and Engineering Fees 366,000 Legal Fees Market Analysis **CON Preparation** 366,000 **Sub-Total Consultant Fees**

\$ (18) Financing Costs (e.g. Bond, Loan, etc.) 0 \$ 0 \$ 240.000 1,006,000 4,300,000 (22) Total Project Capital Cost (Sum A-C above)

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above construction related costs of the proposed project named above are complete and correct.

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(19) Interest During Construction

(20) Other (IS Technology)

(21) Sub-Total Miscellaneous



187,500