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June 13, 2014

Ann Ottum Imaging Director Chatham Hospital 475 Progress Road Siler City, NC 27344

No Review

Facility or Business: Chatham Hospital, Inc.

Project Description: Change mobile MRI provider

County:

Chatham

FID #:

933098

Dear Ms. Ottum:

The Certificate of Need Section (CON Section) received your letter of June 9, 2014 regarding the above referenced proposal. Based on the CON law in effect on the date of this response to your request, the proposal described in your correspondence is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. However, please note that if the CON law is subsequently amended such that the above referenced proposal would require a certificate of need, this determination does not authorize you to proceed to develop the above referenced proposal when the new law becomes effective

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.



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Please contact the CON Section if you have any questions. Also, in all future correspondence you should reference the Facility I.D. # (FID) if the facility is licensed.

Sincerely.

F. Gene DePorter, Project Analyst

Martha J. Frisone, Interim Chief

Certificate of Need Section

cc: Medical Facilities Planning Branch, DHSR

To: Gene De Porter

June 5, 2014

From: Ann Ottum, Chatham Hospital

Re: CON for Mobile MRI Unit



Mr. De Porter,

We currently have a contract with a 3rd party mobile MRI unit which provides services to the hospital on a weekly basis. Recently, High Point Regional Hospital (HPRH) has become part of the UNC organization and owns a mobile MRI unit which provides services to their outpatient facility. Should we decide at the end of our contract to have HPRH provide our MRI services for us, do we need to apply for a certificate of need or will we be covered by the mobile unit certificate of need? I am only inquiring as to what our next steps should be so we are following the state guidelines.

Please send your response back to:

Chatham Hospital, Inc. 475 Progress Rd. Siler City, NC 27344. Attention: Ann Ottum

Your assistance in this matter would be very helpful to know if a certificate of need is required of the hospital on a mobile MRI unit. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

Ann Ottum

Imaging Director, Chatham Hospital

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