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January 29, 2015

Justin K. Brackett 305 East King Street Kings Mountain, NC 28086

No Review

Facility or Business: Kings Mountain Care Center

Project Description: Re-designate 20 existing licensed adult care home beds as special care unit

beds

County:

Cleveland

FID #:

920631

Dear Mr. Brackett:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your letter of December 19, 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.

Moreover, you need to contact the Agency's Construction and Adult Care Home Licensure Sections to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project. Please note that S.L. 2014-100 imposes a moratorium on Special Care Unit licenses. You can learn more about it at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/scumoratorium.html.

It should be noted that this determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. 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 this office. 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 this office if you have any questions. Also, in all future correspondence you should reference the Facility ID # (FID) if the facility is licensed.

Sincerely,

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cc:

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December 19, 2014



Ms. Julie Halatek NC Division of Health Service Regulation Certificate of Need Division 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

RE: Kings Mountain Care - Application for Special Care Unit License

Dear Ms. Halatek.

My firm has been retained by Kings Mountain Care to assist in procuring its license to operate a Special Care Unit at its current facility in Kings Mountain, North Carolina. As I am sure you are aware, Kings Mountain Care currently operates a twenty bed facility that is properly licensed by the State of North Carolina for nursing care. Kings Mountain Care wishes to be licensed as a Special Care Unit so that it may focus its care on residents who are suffering from Alzheimer's and dementia. In doing so, Kings Mountain Care will not be adding any additional beds to its facility.

As part of the licensure process to become a Special Care Unit, Kings Mountain Care must obtain a Certificate of Need. However, it is my understanding that because of the fact that Kings Mountain Care will not be adding any additional beds, there is no Certificate of Need to be given. We have been informed by the Adult Care Licensure Section that we may proceed without a Certificate of Need if we obtain a waiver or some other form of documentation for the Certificate of Need Division stating that there is no basis for a Certificate of Need in this situation and that a Certificate of Need is not required. Therefore, I am writing you today in hopes that you may provide Kings Mountain Care with just such a waiver or other form of documentation.

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Thank you in advance with your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely yours,

Justin K. Brackett

Attorney at Law