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March 27, 2015

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Exempt from Review - Acquisition of Facility

Facility:

Pacifica Senior Living Wilmington

Type of Facility:

Adult Care Home SNH Wilmington LLC

Acquisition by: County:

New Hanover

FID #:

970703

Dear Ms. Whitkin:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) determined that based on your email of March 23,2015, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, SNH Wilmington LLC may proceed to acquire the above referenced health service facility without first obtaining a certificate of need. However, you need to contact the Agency's Adult Care Licensure Section 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,

Kim Randolph

Project Analyst

Martha J. Frisone,

Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

cc:

Adult Care Licensure Section, DHSR Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning



## Randolph, Kimberly M

From:

Whitkin, Elizabeth M. < Elizabeth. Whitkin@ropesgray.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015 10:49 AM

To:

Randolph, Kimberly M

Subject:

RE: Change of Real Property Owner - NC Certificate of Need

Kim,

The proposed new real property owner is SNH Wilmington LLC.

Thank you, Elizabeth

## Elizabeth M. Whitkin ROPES & GRAY LLP

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Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 10:45 AM

To: Whitkin, Elizabeth M.

Subject: RE: Change of Real Property Owner - NC Certificate of Need

Hi Elizabeth,

Thanks for the information. The only piece of information I still need is the name of the company planning to acquire the real property from CLP Wilmington NC Senior Living, LLC. Thanks.

Kim Randolph, JD

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From: Whitkin, Elizabeth M. [mailto:Elizabeth.Whitkin@ropesgray.com]

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 3:04 PM

## **Evans, Stephanie**

From:

Randolph, Kimberly M

Sent:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015 10:27 AM

To:

Evans, Stephanie

Subject:

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Hi Stephanie,

Forwarding this to you for logging.....Thanks.

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To: Randolph, Kimberly M

Subject: Change of Real Property Owner - NC Certificate of Need

Kim,

Thanks for your time this afternoon, and for helping us get this question sorted out. As we discussed, I am representing a client who is planning to buy the *real property only* (land and building) of an adult care home in North Carolina. The tenant/current operator will still in place, and my client will enter into a lease assignment to become the new landlord. The transaction is expected to close on May 1, 2015. I am trying to clarify whether your office requires any notice or filing in connection with this change of real property owner.

The facility name is Pacifica Senior Living Wilmington, located at 2744 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street in Wilmington, NC. The county is New Hanover. The current real property owner is CLP Wilmington NC Senior Living, LLC and the operator is Pacifica Wilmington, LLC. In case it's helpful, the license number is HAL-065-032. To the best of my knowledge, the property does not have a Certificate of Need but it is unclear to me whether a new real property owner is required to obtain a new exemption or whether the current exemption remains with the tenant/operator.

I appreciate any guidance you may be able to provide, and would be happy to provide any additional information if it would be helpful.

Kind regards, Elizabeth Whitkin

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