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Catharine W. Cummer, Regulatory Counsel, Strategic Planning
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Exempt from Review

Record #: 1789
Facility Name: Duke Raleigh Hospital
FID #: 923421
Business Name: Duke University Health System
Business #: 639
Project Description: Planning project to evaluate and plan renovations
County: Wake


Dear Ms. Cummer:

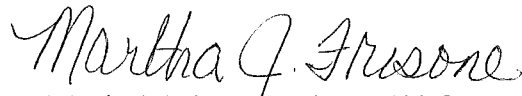
The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of October 30, 2015, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-184(g). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

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 Agency. 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.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,


Michael J. McKillip
Project Analyst


Martha J. Frisone, Assistant Chief
Certificate of Need

cc: Kelli Fisk, Program Assistant, Healthcare Planning



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Catharine W. Cummer
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October 30, 2015

Via Electronic Mail

Ms. Martha Frisone
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Division of Health Service Regulation
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Raleigh, NC 27699-2704



Re: Exemption Notice/Duke Raleigh Hospital

Dear Ms. Frisone:

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice of a planning project to evaluate and plan renovations at Duke Raleigh Hospital and to request confirmation that this planning project is exempt from certificate of need review. Duke anticipates that it may spend more than \$2 million to develop plans to renovate, replace and/or expand portions of the existing hospital facility located on the main campus. This planning project does not relate to any planned change in bed capacity or the addition of any health service facility or new institutional health services other than that allowed in GS 131E-176(b). Accordingly, we understand that this project is exempt from certificate of need review pursuant to G.S. 131E-184.

The "main campus" of Duke Raleigh Hospital includes the main hospital building and "[o]ther areas and structures that are not strictly contiguous to the main building but are located within 250 yards of the main building." Duke's planning project is designed to evaluate how to accommodate existing licensed beds and services on the main campus.

We will submit any required notice of any capital projects that may be developed as a result of this planning process. In the meantime, we would appreciate your confirmation that this planning project is exempt from further review. If you have questions about this information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catharine W. Cummer".

Catharine W. Cummer