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May 23, 2017

John Gizdic  
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**Exempt from Review**

**Record #:** 2280  
**Facility Name:** New Hanover Regional Medical Center  
**FID #:** 943372  
**Business Name:** New Hanover Regional Medical Center  
**Business #:** 1308  
**Project Description:** Construct a 720 space parking deck connecting to the hospital campus via a skywalk  
**County:** New Hanover

Dear Mr. Gizdic:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of May 3, 2017, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(4). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Construction and Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project.

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

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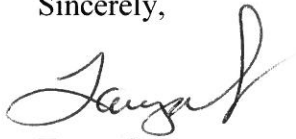
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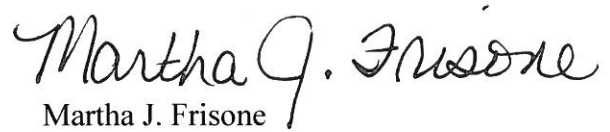
the capital cost; (2) acquisition of medical equipment not included in the original cost estimate; (3) modifications in the design of the project; (4) change in location; and (5) any increase in the number of square feet to be constructed.

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

Sincerely,



Tanya S. Rupp  
Project Analyst



Martha J. Frisone  
Assistant Chief Certificate of Need

cc: Construction Section, DHSR  
Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR  
Paige Bennett, Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

May 3, 2017

Ms. Martha Frisone, Assistant Chief  
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
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RE: Request for Exemption to Certificate of Need Review for Employee Parking Deck Construction  
/ New Hanover County Busid 1308  
943372 NR 2280

Dear Ms. Frisone,

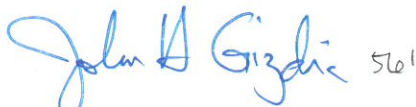
New Hanover Regional Medical Center is planning to construct a 720-space parking deck and skywalk to be located across 17<sup>th</sup> Street from the medical center in Wilmington, North Carolina. The parking deck will connect to the New Hanover Regional Medical Center campus via a skywalk that will only be accessible to New Hanover Regional Medical Center employees. The skywalk will be constructed to withstand hurricane-force winds.

Pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(a)(4): 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:

(4) To provide parking, heating or cooling systems, elevators, or other basic plant or mechanical improvements, unless these activities are integral portions of a project that involves the construction of a new health service facility or portion thereof and that is subject to certificate of need review.

Based on the project description and pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(a)(4), the project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. This letter serves as notification of our intent to proceed with this project. We would appreciate your written confirmation that this project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (910) 667-7000.

Sincerely,



John Gizdic  
President & CEO