

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION

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October 16, 2017

Heidi Ambrose 6015 Poplar Hall Drive, Suite 101 Norfolk, VA 23502

**Exempt from Review** 

Record #:

2416

Facility Name:

Sentara Albemarle Medical Center

FID #:

952933

Business Name:

Sentara Albemarle Medical Center, LLC

Business #:

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Project Description:

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County:

Temporarily replace existing CT scanner with a mobile CT scanner based in Virginia Pasquotank

Dear Ms. Ambrose:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of October 11, 2017, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(7). 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 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,

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Martha I Frisone

Assistant Chief Certificate of Need

Construction Section, DHSR

Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR

Sharetta Blackwell, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

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October 11, 2017

Martha Frisone, Chief Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation Department of Health and Human Services 809 Ruggles Drive Raleigh, NC, 27603

Re: No Review Request for Sentara Albemarle Medical Center to Temporarily Use an Out-of-State Mobile CT scanner During Scheduled Downtime

Dear Martha,

The purpose of this letter is to request Sentara Albemarle Medical Center ("SAMC") be permitted to utilize an out-of-state, but Sentara Healthcare operated CT Scanner for one day during a scheduled downtime that is required for a biannual preventative maintenance (PM) and a safety repair. The CT requires a PM as well as replacement of a part in the table bed. Continued service of SAMC's CT during this time will not be available. The repair will be completed on October 26th, 2017 and the unit will be back in service on October 27th, 2017.

SAMC operates a single GE HD 750 64 Slice CT scanner (SN 437840CN2) to support a community hospital that services multiple jurisdictions and requests use of the temporary unit to continue effective patient care. The unit will be removed from the state when the hospitals CT scanner is repaired and functioning.

This letter serves as written notice of the equipment replacement in accordance with NCGS 131 E-184. As the temporary unit, a GE Lightspeed 16 Slice (SN 1063330), is owned and operated by Sentara Healthcare this does not create any payment or lease issues.

Based on the information provided, SAMC requests that the Agency provide a written response confirming that SAMC may operate the temporary mobile scanner without CON review. If the agency needs additional information, please let us know as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Lled Dec

Heidi Ambrose Director, Radiology