



North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Health Service Regulation

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December 4, 2015

Paula Oathout  
1025 Medical Center  
Wilmington, NC 28401

**Disapproval**

Project ID #: O-11060-15  
Facility: Porters Neck Imaging  
Project Description: Acquire one fixed MRI scanner  
County: New Hanover  
FID #: 050376

Dear Ms. Oathout:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has disapproved the above referenced certificate of need application. This decision was made after a review of the applications submitted for this cycle and after consideration of the Certificate of Need Law, G.S. 131E-175 et. seq. and regulations promulgated there under, the State Medical Facilities Plan, and other applicable information. Attached to this letter are the required findings made with respect to your application.

A legal proponent or any person aggrieved by this decision may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with G.S. 150B, Article 3, as amended. This petition must be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, 6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714 within thirty (30) days of the decision. [Note: Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).]

If you file a petition for a contested case hearing, you must serve a copy of the petition on the Department of Health and Human Services by mailing a copy of your petition to:



**Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section**

[www.ncdhhs.gov](http://www.ncdhhs.gov)

Telephone 919-855-3873 • Fax 919-715-4413

Location: Edgerton Building • 809 Ruggles Drive • Raleigh, NC 27603

Mailing Address: 2704 Mail Service Center • Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

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Emery Milliken  
Department of Health and Human Services,  
Office of Legal Affairs,  
Adams Building – Room 154  
2001 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

It is requested that a copy of the petition also be served on the Agency.

Please be advised that in accordance with G.S. 131E-188, as a condition precedent to proceeding with a contested case hearing on the approval of an applicant for a certificate of need, the petitioner shall deposit a bond with the clerk of superior court where the new institutional health service that is the subject of the petition is proposed to be located. The bond shall be secured by cash or its equivalent in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the cost of the proposed new institutional health service that is the subject to the petition, but may not be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and may not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). Moreover, the applicant who received approval for the new institutional health service that is the subject of the petition may bring an action against a bond filed under this subsection in the superior court of the county where the bond was filed. Upon finding the petition for a contested case was frivolous or filed to delay the applicant, the court may award the applicant part or all of the bond filed.

Please refer to the Project ID # and Facility ID # (FID) in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Mike McKillip, Project Analyst  
Project Analyst

Martha J. Frisone, Assistant Chief  
Certificate of Need

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Attachment

cc: Kelli Fisk, Program Assistant, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing notice of disapproval on the following person by placing a copy in an official depository of the United States Postal Service in a postage-paid, first class envelope addressed as follows:

Paula Oathout  
1025 Medical Center  
Wilmington, NC 28401

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This the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015

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Mike McKillip, Project Analyst  
Certificate of Need