

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

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### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

February 23, 2015

Don Poole 2501 Blue Ridge Road, Suite 500 Raleigh, NC 27607

## **Conditional Approval**

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Project ID #:	G-10357-14
Facility:	Peak Resources-Alamance
Project Description:	Relocate 120 nursing facility beds within Alamance County and construct a replacement facility
County:	Alamance
FID #:	923271

Dear Mr. Poole:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved 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. The applicant shall not proceed with the construction, offering or development of this project until the certificate of need is issued. Further, the Agency shall not issue the certificate of need until all applicable conditions of approval have been met pursuant to G.S. 131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

- 1. Peak of Graham, LLC and Peak Resources-Alamance, Inc. shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. Peak of Graham, LLC and Peak Resources-Alamance, Inc. shall construct a replacement nursing facility which shall be licensed for no more than 120 nursing facility beds upon project completion.



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- 3. For the first two years of operation following completion of the project, Peak of Graham, LLC and Peak Resources-Alamance, Inc. shall not increase actual private pay charges more than 5% of the projected private pay charges provided in Section X of the application, without first obtaining a determination from the Agency that the proposed increase is in material compliance with the representations in the certificate of need application.
- 4. Peak of Graham, LLC and Peak Resources-Alamance, Inc. shall develop and implement an Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Plan for the replacement facility that conforms to or exceeds energy efficiency and water conservation standards incorporated in the latest editions of the North Carolina State Building Codes.
- 5. Peak of Graham, LLC and Peak Resources-Alamance, Inc. shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Agency in writing prior to issuance of the certificate of need.

# Response to the above conditions should be submitted to the Agency no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency making a determination not to issue a certificate of need for the project referenced above.

The conditional approval is valid only for a capital expenditure of 11,576,620. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by G.S. 131E-176(16)(e).

The applicant should be aware that according to the Certificate of Need law any affected person shall have thirty (30) days after the date of decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by the conditions of the decision you 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 date of this 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).]

G.S. 150B-23 provides that a party filing a petition must also serve a copy of the petition on all parties to the petition. Therefore, 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:

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 Don Poole February 23, 2015 Page 3

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

The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending March 25, 2015. If a contested case request is received within the thirty (30) day period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved (10A NCAC 14C .0208).

The timetable for completion of the project is the timetable outlined in the certificate of need application, unless an adjustment has been made by the Agency because the review period was extended. The timetable for this project is as follows:

Contract Award	May 27, 2015
25% Completion of Construction	November 16, 2015
50% Completion of Construction	March 17, 2016
75% Completion of Construction	May 18, 2016
Completion of Construction	September 10, 2016
Licensure of Facility	September 15, 2016
Certification of Beds	October 1, 2016

If the decision is appealed, the timetable set forth in this letter will be adjusted accordingly before the Certificate of Need is issued. Please contact this office if any clarification of this decision is required.

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

Sincerely,

Celia C. Inman Project Analyst Martha J. Frisone Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

### Attachment

cc: Construction Section, DHSR Nursing Home Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing notice of **conditional approval** 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:

Don Poole 2501 Blue Ridge Road, Suite 500 Raleigh, NC 27607

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This the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2015.

Celia C. Inman Project Analyst, Certificate of Need