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**Exempt from Review**

Facility: Carteret General Hospital, Inc.  
Project Description: Information Technology Upgrade  
County: Carteret County  
FID #: 923076

Dear Mr. Brvenik:

In response to your letter of November 30, 2012, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C.G.S 131E-184(a)(3). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Construction Section of the Division of Health Service Regulation 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 Certificate of Need Section. 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,

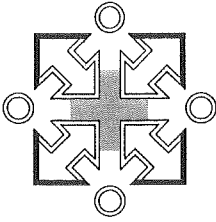
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cc: Construction Section, DHSR



**Carteret  
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RE: Exempt from Review / Carteret General Hospital, Inc / IT Expansion / Carteret County

Dear Mr. Smith and Ms. Rhoe-Jones:

Carteret General Hospital, Inc intends to acquire and install upgrades to its information technology systems in its main hospital building and requests a determination that such a project is exempt from certificate of need review pursuant to NCGS 131E-184 (a)(3).

**Scope of Proposed Project**

The project involves the acquisition and installation of an upgrade to our nurse call-communications system, an upgrade of our wireless telemetry monitoring system, an addition of network racks, security cameras, fiber and cable, and wireless connectivity that will be installed in the main hospital and related campus properties located at or near 3500 Arendell Street, Morehead City, NC 28577. The project will cost in excess of \$2,000,000, but is not a new institutional health service as defined in NCGS 131E-176 (16).

**Exemption from Review**

The proposed project is not an institutional health service as defined by NCGS 131E-176(16) and is exempt from certificate of need review pursuant to NCGS 131E-184 (a)(3).

**Determination Requested**

Carteret General Hospital, Inc requests that the Division of Health Service Regulation to make a determination that the project as proposed herein does not constitute a new institutional health service as defined by NCGS 131E-176(16) and is exempt from certificate of need review pursuant to NCGS 131E-184 (a)(3). Please contact me at (252) 808-6095 if any additional information is needed concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Brvenik, FACHE  
Chief Executive Officer