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Exempt from Review - Replacement Equipment

Facility: Lexington Medical Center
Project Description: Temporarily replace existing fixed MRI scanner with mobile MRI scanner
County: Davidson
FID #: 943307

Dear Ms. Pitman:

In response to your letter of April 30, 2013, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C.G.S 131E-184(a)(7). Therefore, you may proceed to utilize, without a certificate of need, a temporary replacement mobile MRI scanner, Philip 1.5T mobile MRI, to replace the existing fixed MRI scanner, Phillip Integra 1.5T MRI, serial number 8139, until the new Siemens Magnetom Aera 1.5T fixed MRI scanner is installed and operation. Lexington Medical Center will lease the temporary mobile MRI scanner from Alliance Healthcare Services, Inc. d/b/a Alliance Imaging, during the period from May 2103 through September 2013. Once the new fixed MRI scanner is installed and operational, the temporary replacement mobile MRI scanner will be removed from Lexington Medical Center. This determination is based on your representations that the existing unit will be removed from North Carolina and will not be used again in the State without first obtaining a certificate of need. Further please be advised that as soon as the replacement equipment is acquired, you must provide the CON Section and the Medical Facilities Planning Section with the serial number of the new equipment to update the inventory. Moreover, you need to contact the Construction Section, DHSR to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project.

It should be noted that this Agency's position is based solely on the facts represented by you and that any change in facts as represented would require further consideration by this Agency and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Kim Randolph
Project Analyst

Craig R. Smith, Chief
Certificate of Need Section

cc: Construction Section, DHSR
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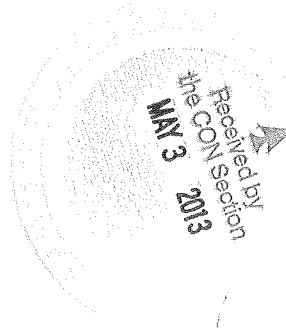
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RE: Temporary Replacement of fixed MRI Scanner with a Philip 1.5T mobile MRI System at Lexington Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr. Smith, Ms. Frisone and Ms. Randolph:

This letter is regarding our request for a replacement equipment exemption dated April 30, 2013 which concerns the replacement of our current MRI scanner. In the interim period between the removal of our current Philip Integra 1.5T MRI/Serial No. 8139 fixed MRI scanner and the installation of a new Siemens Magnetom Aera 1.5T fixed MRI, Lexington Memorial Hospital intends to lease a used Philip 1.5T mobile MRI scanner from Alliance Healthcare Services, Inc. d/b/a Alliance Imaging during the approximate time period of May 16, 2013 -September 6, 2013. Because the removal of the existing fixed MRI and installation of the new fixed equipment is expected to take approximately four months and would leave Lexington Medical Center without MRI capacity, it is necessary to bring in a temporary mobile MRI unit. The mobile MRI is owned by Alliance Imaging and was acquired in 1993 before any CON requirement was enacted for this type of mobile MRI equipment.

Upon installation of the new Siemens Magnetom Aera 1.5T fixed MRI scanner expected on or before September 6, 2013, the mobile MRI scanner will be removed by Alliance Imaging. Lexington Memorial Hospital already has a concrete pad and electrical hook-up available, therefore there will be no capital costs associated with the temporary use of the mobile MRI scanner.

Sincerely,



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Randolph, Kimberly M

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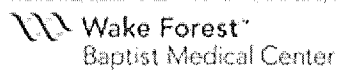
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 1:00 PM

To: Randolph, Kimberly M

Subject: Mobile MRI Lease Cost

Hi Kim- the lease cost is \$27,000 per month with Alliance. Let me know if you need more detail.

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