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## VIA EMAIL ONLY

December 22, 2021

Daniel T. Waller Danny.waller@onslow.org

Exempt from Review – Replacement Equipment	
Record #:	3765
Date of Request:	December 16, 2021
Facility Name:	Onslow Radiation Oncology, LLC
FID #:	061343
Business Name:	Onslow Memorial Hospital, Inc.
Business #:	1354
Project Description:	Temporarily replace a fixed linear accelerator with a mobile linear accelerator until a replacement fixed linear accelerator is operational
County:	Onslow

Dear Mr. Waller:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that the above referenced project is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S. 131E-184(a)(7). Therefore, you may proceed to acquire without a certificate of need a mobile linear accelerator from Alliance Healthcare Services, Inc. to temporarily replace the fixed linear accelerator approved to be replaced pursuant to Project ID# P-12027-21 until the new, permanent fixed linear accelerator is installed and operational. This determination is based on your representations that once the new permanent linear accelerator is installed and operational, the mobile linear accelerator from Alliance Healthcare Services, Inc. will be immediately removed from the State and will not be used again in the State without first obtaining a certificate of need if one is required.

It should be noted that the 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 office and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski, Project Analyst

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cc: Radiation Protection Section, DHSR Construction Section, DHSR

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Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Chief Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

## RE: Filing of Exemption Notice for Onslow Radiation Oncology, LLC to Temporarily Lease a Mobile Linear Accelerator as Replacement for Fixed Linear Accelerator

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Onslow Radiation Oncology, LLC (ORO) and Onslow Memorial Hospital, Inc. (OMH) were approved pursuant to Project ID # P-12027-21 to acquire a replacement linear accelerator. As explained in Project ID # P-12027-21, the CON-approved project requires that a portion of the existing vault be demolished and rebuilt to accommodate the removal of the existing equipment and the installation of the replacement equipment. Please accept this letter as notification by ORO and OMH of the intent to temporarily lease a mobile linear accelerator as a temporary replacement for ORO's existing fixed linear accelerator during the installation of the permanent replacement linear accelerator in order to avoid a disruption in service. The temporary mobile linear accelerator. The temporary mobile LINAC is coming from out of state by Alliance. Upon completion of the installation of our approved LINAC the temporary mobile unit will be removed from the state of North Carolina. We certify temporary mobile LINAC will not return to the State of North Carolina without obtaining appropriate CON approval.

Based on the above facts, ORO and OMH respectfully request that the Agency provide a written response confirming that ORO may operate the temporary mobile linear accelerator as described without CON review. If the Agency requires any additional information, please let us know as soon as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require any additional information to consider this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at 910-577-2830.

Sincerely,

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Daniel T. Waller Senior Vice President of Support Services

Hey Martha,

Here is an Exemption Request I was emailed today.

Thanks, Greg

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski

Gregory F. Yakaboski Project Analyst Division of Health Service Regulation, Certificate of Need NC Department of Health and Human Services

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Greg,

Here is a signed copy of the letter request for temporary lease of mobile linear accelerator as we discussed on our phone conversation today. Please contact me if you have any additional questions or concerns as this mobile unit is new to everyone.

Thank you for contacting me.

Danny

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