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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Exempt from Review – Replacement Equipment

Record #: 4535
Date of Request: August 5, 2024
Facility Name: Highlands-Cashiers Hospital
FID #: 943256
Business Name: MH Highlands-Cashiers Medical Center, LLLP
Business #: 926
Project Description: Replace an existing fixed MRI scanner
County: Macon

Dear Mr. Stauffer:

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(f). Therefore, you may proceed to acquire without a certificate of need the SIGMA Voyager 1.5T MR30 fixed MRI scanner to replace the Siemens AVANTO (System ID MHHCH828SIEMR01) fixed MRI scanner. This determination is based on your representations that the existing unit will be sold or otherwise disposed of 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,

Ena Lightbourne
Project Analyst

Micheala Mitchell
Chief

cc: Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR
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