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**Exempt from Review**

**Record #:** 4662  
**Date of Request:** December 10, 2024  
**Facility Name:** WakeMed  
**FID #:** 943528  
**Business Name:** WakeMed  
**Business #:** 2018  
**Project Description:** To provide water heating system and electrical capacity improvements  
**County:** Wake

Dear Robbie Roberts & Daina DiMarco:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S. 131E-184(a)(4). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

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 Agency. 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,

Crystal Kearney  
Project Analyst

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Chief

cc: Construction Section, DHSR  
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December 10, 2024

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**Re: Request for Exemption from Review/Expand Central Energy Plant at WakeMed Raleigh Campus/  
Wake County**

Dear Ms. Kearney:

This letter is to inform the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section of WakeMed's intent to renovate and expand the central energy plant at WakeMed Raleigh Campus (Hospital License No. H0199/FID No. 943528), located at 3000 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27610. This project is focused on replacing outdated water heating systems and increasing electrical capacity for additional operational resilience. The renovation and replacement equipment will be collocated with existing facility infrastructure for increased efficiencies.

WakeMed believes that this project is exempt from certificate of need review, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §131E-184(a)(4), which states:

*To provide parking, heating or cooling systems, elevators, or other basic plant or mechanical improvements, unless these activities are integral portions of a project that involves construction of a new health service facility or portions thereof and that is subject to certificate of need review.*

We would greatly appreciate the Agency's written confirmation that this project is exempt from certificate of need review.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Daina DiMarco at 919-350-1221 or [ddimarco@wakemed.org](mailto:ddimarco@wakemed.org).

Sincerely,



Robbie Roberts  
Director, Market Planning