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VIA EMAIL ONLY

August 29, 2025

Tina Hinshaw

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**Exempt from Review – Replacement Equipment**

**Record #:** 4896

**Date of Request:** August 15, 2025

**Business Name:** Alliance Healthcare Services, Inc.

**Business #:** 60

**Project Description:** Replace mobile MRI scanner

**County:** Wake

Dear Tina Hinshaw:

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 S3T09 mobile MRI scanner to permanently replace mobile MRI scanner ESP62. 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Crystal Kearney".

Crystal Kearney

Project Analyst

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Micheala Mitchell".

Micheala Mitchell

Chief

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August 15, 2025

Mr. Mike McKillip, CON Analyst  
Mr. Greg Yakaboski, CON Analyst  
Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Chief  
Health Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
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Business Name: Alliance Healthcare Services  
Business Number: 60  
CON#: Legacy  
ESP 62 Serial # 1M9A3A823GH022851 Siemens Espree  
S3T09 Serial # 196830 Siemens Magnetom Lumina

RE: Alliance Healthcare Services - Written Notice for Exemption from CON Review for the  
**Permanent Replacement of MRI Scanner ESP62 (Legacy) by S3T09.**

Dear Mr. McKillip and Ms. Mitchell:

I am writing regarding the permanent replacement of MRI scanner ESP62 as that unit no longer meets the needs of the customers served. Please accept this notice of exemption to permanently replace ESP62 with S3T09 which is a 3T MRI scanner owned by Alliance and will be utilized as the permanent replacement MRI for ESP62. ESP62 has been removed from use in NC and will not be used again in the State without first obtaining a certificate of need if one is required.

The Alliance Legacy CON formerly assigned to ESP62 will be reassigned to Alliance Asset S3T09.

Alliance asset—S3T09 is a 3.0 Tesla Siemens Magnetom Lumina MRI with serial number 196830. This asset will operate under the Alliance Legacy Con at:

Wake Radiology Panther Creek  
6715 McCrimmon Parkway, Ste. 101  
Cary, NC 27519

#### Compliance Documentation

Compliance with G.S. 131E-176 (22a) Replacement Equipment Definition is evident because the replacement scanner has a fair market value of \$900,00 which is far less than the \$2,000,000 threshold. The replacement MRI equipment will be used for the same diagnostic



purposes as the existing equipment. In addition, Alliance is providing written notice to the Department in accordance with G.S. 131E-184 (a) (7) Exemption from Review to provide replacement equipment.

The existing equipment, ESP62, will be permanently replaced by S3T09. ESP62 has been removed from use in NC. The Registration and Thank you for your review and consideration of this information. Please call me at 805.325.3078 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tina Hair Hinshaw, MBA  
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CC: Rodney Skelding and Lisa Barrera, Managers of Operations Akumin

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Tiffany would you mind logging this and assigning to Crystal?

Thanks,

Micheala

Micheala Mitchell, JD  
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This is my final email to you all today.

Please see the attached notice regarding an exception for the permanent replacement of an MRI Scanner utilizing a Legacy CON.

Have a great weekend....

Thank you,




Tina

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