October 14, 2016 617 Macon Place Raleigh, NC 27609

Nadine Pfeiffer Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation 2701 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2701

Dear Ms. Pfeiffer:

I send this letter to express my opposition to the repeal of the administrative rules governing diagnostic centers and major medical equipment (10A NCAC 14C.1801, .1804, .3101, .3102, and .3104). I understand that there is a proposal by the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation ("Department") that these rules be repealed. I wish to express my objection to this repeal. The repeal of these rules runs contrary to the legislature's stated purposes behind the certificate of need laws. While the rules may likely require some amendment to prevent applicants from being asked to provide information that is not publicly available, eliminating the rules altogether is not appropriate.

Sincerely,

Bryan M. Peters MD