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May 4, 2012

Steve Bailey
CFO / Senior Vice President of Operations
Ridge Care, Inc.
853 Old Winston Road
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RE:

Exempt from Review / Acquisition of The Villages of Ashe by Forest Ridge Assisted Living, LLC /

Ashe County

FID #: 020751

Dear Mr. Bailey:

In response to your letter of February 23, 2012, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C.G.S 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, Forest Ridge Assisted Living, LLC may proceed to acquire the above referenced health service facility without first obtaining a certificate of need. However, you need to contact the Adult Care Licensure Section of the Division of Health Service Regulation to obtain instructions for changing ownership of the existing facility. Note that pursuant to N.C.G.S. §131E-181(b): "A recipient of a certificate of need, or any person who may subsequently acquire, in any manner whatsoever permitted by law, the service for which that certificate of need was issued, is required to materially comply with the representations made in its application for that certificate of need."

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

Sincerely,

Les Brown
Project Analyst

Craig R. Smith, Chief Certificate of Need Section

Cc: Adult Care Licensure Section, DHSR





February 23, 2012

Division of Health Service Regulation CON Section 801 Biggs Drive Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Attn: Letter of Exemption from CON

To Whom it May Concern:

We are requesting a letter of exemption from review from the CON section.

Forest Ridge Assisted Living LLC will be purchasing The Villages of Ashe from Jim Richardson (The Villages of Ashe Traditional Living). This is a current operation in West Jefferson NC. Ridge Care Inc., from Kernersville NC, currently leases the property from Jim Richardson and will continue to the lease the property from Forest Ridge Assisted Living LLC.

Sincerely,

Steve Bailey

CFO / Senior Vice President of Operations

Ridge Care Inc.

Forest Ridge Assisted Living, LLC

Managing Member

Please return any correspondence to:

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