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DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION

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RESPONSE REQUIRED

March 29, 2018

Elizabeth Kirkman
2709 Water Ridge Parkway, Suite 200
Charlotte, NC 28217

Conditional Approval

Project ID #: F-11425-17
Facility: Carolinas HealthCare System Pineville
Project Description: Acquire a second fixed MRI scanner at CHS Pineville pursuant to a Need Determination in the 2017 SMFP
County: Mecklenburg
FID #: 110878

Dear Ms. Kirkman:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved the above referenced certificate of need application. This decision was made after a review of the applications submitted for this cycle and after consideration of the Certificate of Need Law, N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-175 et. seq. and regulations promulgated there under, the State Medical Facilities Plan, and other applicable information. Attached to this letter are the required findings made with respect to your application. The applicant shall not proceed with the construction, offering or development of this project until the certificate of need is issued. Further, the Agency shall not issue the certificate of need until all applicable conditions of approval have been met pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

1. Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
2. Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall acquire no more than one additional fixed MRI scanner, for a total of two fixed MRI scanners, to be located at CHS Pineville.

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3. Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall not acquire, as part of this project, any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditures in Section Q of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
4. Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall develop and implement an Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Plan for the project that conforms to or exceeds energy efficiency and water conservation standards incorporated in the latest editions of the North Carolina State Building Codes.
5. No later than three months after the last day of each of the first three full years of operation following initiation of the services authorized by this certificate of need, Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall submit, on the form provided by the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, an annual report containing the:
 - a. Payor mix for the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - b. Utilization of the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - c. Revenues and operating costs for the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - d. Average gross revenue per unit of service.
 - e. Average net revenue per unit of service.
 - f. Average operating cost per unit of service.
6. Mercy Hospital, Inc. shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Agency in writing prior to issuance of the certificate of need.

Response to the above conditions should be submitted to the Agency no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency making a determination not to issue a certificate of need for the project referenced above.

The conditional approval is valid only for a capital expenditure of **\$5,200,000**. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-176(16)(e).

The applicant should be aware that according to the Certificate of Need law any affected person shall have thirty (30) days after the date of decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by the conditions of the decision you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §150B, Article 3, as amended. This petition must be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, 6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714 within thirty (30) days of the date of this decision. [Note: Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).]

N.C. Gen. Stat. §150B-23 provides that a party filing a petition must also serve a copy of the petition on all parties to the petition. Therefore, if you file a petition for a contested case hearing, you must serve a copy of the petition on the Department of Health and Human Services by mailing a copy of your petition to:

Lisa G. Corbett
Department of Health and Human Services,
Office of Legal Affairs,
Adams Building – Room 154
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

It is requested that a copy of the petition also be served on the Agency.

The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending **April 30, 2018**. If a contested case request is received within the thirty (30) day period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved (10A NCAC 14C .0208).

The timetable for completion of the project is the timetable outlined in the certificate of need application, unless an adjustment has been made by the Agency because the review period was extended. The timetable for this project is as follows:

1. Schematics (i.e., Drawings) Completed _____ January 15, 2018
2. Construction/Renovation Contract(s) Executed _____ May 15, 2018
3. 50% of Construction/Renovation Completed _____ July 29, 2018
4. Construction/Renovation Completed _____ October 12, 2018
5. Equipment Operational _____ December 15, 2018
6. Services Offered _____ January 1, 2019
7. Final Annual Report Due _____ March 31, 2022

If the decision is appealed, the timetable set forth in this letter will be adjusted accordingly before the Certificate of Need is issued. Please contact this office if any clarification of this decision is required.

Please refer to the Project ID # and Facility ID # (FID) in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Gloria C. Hale
Team Leader

Lisa Pittman
Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

Attachment

cc:

Construction Section, DHSR
Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR
Amy Craddock, Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing notice of **conditional approval** on the following person by placing a copy in an official depository of the United States Postal Service in a postage-paid, first class envelope addressed as follows:

Elizabeth Kirkman
2709 Water Ridge Parkway, Suite 200
Charlotte, NC 28217

This the 29th day of March, 2018.

Gloria C. Hale
Team Leader, Certificate of Need