



NC DEPARTMENT OF  
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September 7, 2018

Christy Minor  
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Addison, TX 75001

**No Review**

**Record #:** 2699  
**Facility Name:** Wilmington Gastroenterology Endoscopy Center, Inc.  
**FID #:** 070133  
**Business Name:** Novant Health/USP Surgery Centers, LLC  
**Business #:** 2876  
**Project Description:** Acquisition of 51% ownership interest in Wilmington Gastroenterology Endoscopy Center, Inc.  
**County:** New Hanover

Dear Ms. Minor:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your letter of August 29, 2018 regarding the above referenced proposal. Based on the CON law **in effect on the date of this response to your request**, the proposal described in your correspondence is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. However, please note that if the CON law is subsequently amended such that the above referenced proposal would require a certificate of need, this determination does not authorize you to proceed to develop the above referenced proposal when the new law becomes effective.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project.

It should be noted that this determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. 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 this office. 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.

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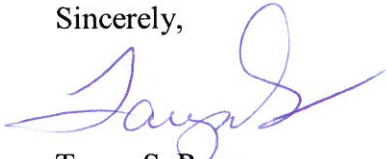
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Please contact this office if you have any questions. Also, in all future correspondence you should reference the Facility ID # (FID) if the facility is licensed.

Sincerely,



Tanya S. Rupp  
Project Analyst



Martha J. Frisone, Chief  
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

cc: Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR  
Melinda Boyette, Administrative Assistant, Healthcare Planning, DHSR



United Surgical Partners  
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August 29, 2018

**North Carolina Dept of Public Health**  
Certificate of Need Department  
809 Ruggles Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27603

Via Fedex  
7730 9757 6430



NR 2699  
FID 070133

RE: **Change of Ownership:**  
Wilmington Gastroenterology Endoscopy Center, Inc  
5115 Oleander Dr, Wilmington, NC 28403

This letter is to inform you that on or about October 1, 2018, Novant Health/USP Surgery Centers, LLC, a joint venture owned by Novant Health and United Surgical Partners International, plans to acquire a 51% ownership interest in Wilmington Gastroenterology which is owned and operated by Wilmington Gastroenterology Endoscopy Center, Inc. This transaction will result in a change to the facility's legal name and tax id. It is our understanding that with the submission of this written notice, a certificate of need is not required.

Bus id 2876

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Thank you,

*Christy Minor*

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