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VIA EMAIL ONLY

July 13, 2020

Kristy Hubard
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Exempt from Review

Record #: 3316
Facility Name: New Hanover Regional Medical Center
FID #: 943372
Business Name: New Hanover Regional Medical Center
Business #: 1308
Project Description: Replace roof and upgrade facility damaged by Hurricane Florence
County: New Hanover

Dear Ms. Hubard:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of June 30, 2020, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(5). Therefore, you may proceed to repair and upgrade the medical center's roof and facility as necessary.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Construction and Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections to determine if they have any requirements for the proposed repairs.

It should be noted that this determination is binding only for the facts represented by you. 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 the Agency. 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.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of Tanya M. Saporito]

Tanya M. Saporito
Project Analyst

[Handwritten signature of Martha J. Frisone]

Martha J. Frisone
Chief

cc: Construction Section, DHSR
Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR

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June 29, 2020

Ms. Martha Frisone, Chief  
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RE: Request for Exemption to Certificate of Need Review for Roof Replacement and Upgrade  
/ New Hanover County

Dear Ms. Frisone,


New Hanover Regional Medical Center is planning to replace and upgrade a large portion of the medical center's facilities' roof due to damage incurred by Hurricane Florence. NHRMC has been involved in extensive and lengthy discussions with the Federal Emergency Management Agency for federal disaster relief in completing the roof replacement and repair.

Pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(a)(4): The Department shall exempt from certificate of need review a new institutional health service if it receives prior written notice from the entity proposing the new institutional health service, which notice includes an explanation of why the new institutional health service is required, for any of the following:

(5) To replace or repair facilities destroyed or damaged by accident or natural disaster.

Based on the project description and pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(a)(4), the project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. This letter serves as notification of our intent to proceed with this project. We would appreciate your written confirmation that this project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (910) 667-5908.

Sincerely,



Kristy Hubard  
Chief Strategy Officer  
New Hanover Regional Medical Center

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**Date:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 11:03:25 AM  
**Attachments:** [NHRMC LNR for Roof Replacement.pdf](#)

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Hi Tanya,

Attached please find a Letter of CON Exemption for the replacement and upgrading for the roof at New Hanover Regional Medical Center and related buildings. The replacement and upgrading is the long-term fix for the damage done by Hurricane Florence. Up to this point, only minor fixes were completed.

**David Legarth**



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