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VIA EMAIL ONLY

November 26, 2025

Karen Hunt
Karen@morningstarnc.com

No Review

Record #: 5016
Date of Request: November 6, 2025
Facility Name: Morning Star Assisted Living #6 (fka Riverstone)
FID #: 920215
Business Name: Riverstone Health Management, Inc.
Business #: 4028
Project Description: Change in operator and name of facility
County: Craven

Dear Ms. Hunt:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your correspondence regarding the project described above. Based on the representation in your request and the CON law in effect on the date of this response to your request, the project as described is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. The new operator is J&S Care Inc., and the new name of the facility is Morning Star Assisted Living #6. 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.

This determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. If changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in the correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is required would need to be made by this office. As a reminder, it is unlawful to offer or develop a new institutional health service without first obtaining a certificate of need. The Department reserves the right to impose sanctions, including civil penalties and the revocation of a license, upon any entity that offers or develops a new institutional health service without first obtaining a certificate of need.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

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Karen Hunt  
November 26, 2025  
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Sincerely,

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Gregory F. Yakaboski  
Project Analyst

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Micheala Mitchell  
Chief

cc: Adult Care Licensure Section, DHSR

J & S Care Inc.  
DBA: Morning Star Assisted Living  
941 Goins Road  
Pembroke NC 28372  
910-521-0040

November 17, 2025

Re: Riverstone

**Change of Licensee**

1. Name of Current Owner of the Facility – Riverstone Health Management, Inc.  
Tony Bigler
2. Name of Current Operator of the Facility – Riverstone Health Management Inc.
3. Current Name of the Facility – Riverstone
4. Name of New Owner of the Facility – The owner is staying the same.
5. Name of New Operator – J & S Care Inc.
6. New name of the Facility – J & S Care Inc.  
DBA: Morning Star Assisted Living #6

If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call.

Karen Hunt - President  
J & S Care Inc.

J & S Care Inc.  
DBA: Morning Star Assisted Living  
941 Goins Road  
Pembroke, NC 28372  
910-521-0040

November 4, 2025

Re: Change of Licensee  
Current Facility License Number: HAL-025-026  
County: Craven

Attn: CON

To Whom It May Concern:

J & S Care Inc. is in the process of completing a Change of Licensee on the facility currently known as Riverstone Health Management, Inc. located at 104 Efirld Blvd., New Bern NC 28562. J & S Care Inc. is only taking over as Licensee and no changes to the physical plant or number of beds is being requested. This change will take place on December 1, 2025.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 910-474-3326.

Thank you,

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Karen Hunt  
Owner/President

# Riverstone Health Management, Inc.

November 4, 2025

To: DHR, Adult Care Licensing Section

From: Tony Bigler

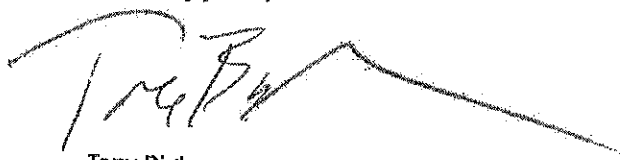
Re: Change of Ownership

Please except this letter as notification of a change in ownership as of December 1, 2025. Riverstone Health Management, Inc., will be relinquishing ownership to Morningstar, Inc.

Enclosed you will find the Facility License Application including required documents for the license to be issued to Morningstar, Inc.

Please review and forward a new license immediately. Your prompt response to this matter will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 910-308-7911.

Sincerely yours,



Tony Bigler

Riverstone Health Management, Inc.

104 Efir Blvd

New Bern, NC 28562

**From:** [karen@morningstarnc.com](mailto:karen@morningstarnc.com)  
**To:** [Stancil, Tiffany C](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Re: 4985 Craven Riverstone 920215 Exemption  
**Date:** Thursday, November 6, 2025 11:16:04 AM  
**Attachments:** [CON Letters.pdf](#)

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Ms. Stancil,

Due to medical circumstances, the date had to be changed for the change of ownership on the attached facility. See the attached revised CON letter.

Thank you,

*Karen Hunt - President*

**J & S Care Inc.**  
**DBA Morning Star Assisted Living**  
**910-521-0040**  
**910-521-3266 Fax**

***I Can Do All Things Through Christ Who Strengthens Me. Philippians 4:13***

On Thursday, October 30, 2025 at 03:03:46 PM EDT, Stancil, Tiffany C <tiffany.stancil@dhhs.nc.gov> wrote:

**Tiffany Stancil**

Administrative Specialist I

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