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CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

August 5, 2009

Via Facsimile Only

Claudio Capone Director, Strategic Business Planning The Hospital of Central Connecticut 100 Grand Street New Britain, CT 06052

Re: CON Determination Report Number 09-31426-DTR

The Hospital of Central Connecticut Establishment of a Sleep Laboratory in Southington, Connecticut, Pursuant to

Public Act 09-232, Connecticut General Statues

Dear Mr. Capone:

On August 3, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request on behalf of The Hospital of Central Connecticut ("HCC" or "Petitioner") to establish a sleep laboratory in Southington, Connecticut. OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. The HCC is an acute care hospital located at 100 Grand Street, New Britain, Connecticut.
- 2. The HCC currently offers sleep laboratory services on an outpatient basis.
- 3. The Petitioner is seeking to establish a sleep laboratory at 1131 West Street in Southington, Connecticut.
- 4. The Petitioner contends that the proposed sleep laboratory will act as a satellite facility for HCC's existing Sleep Disorder Center, located at the main campus in New Britain.
- 5. The HCC contends that the supplies, business functions and staff will be supplied by the HCC.

- 6. The current and the target population to be served by the proposed sleep laboratory are those patients that currently reside in HCC's primary service area.
- 7. The Petitioner contends that the total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$300,000
- 8. Pursuant to Public Act 09-232 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.):
 - "Each short-term acute care general or children's hospital, chronic disease hospital or hospital for the mentally ill that on July 1, 2009, is providing outpatient services,that thereafter proposes to provide such services at an alternative location within the primary service area of the health care facility or institution, shall be exempt from the certificate of need requirements prescribed in subsection (a) of section 19a-638, as amended by this act,..."
- 9. OHCA finds that the HCC currently offers sleep laboratory services on an outpatient basis and that the town of Southington is within the HCC's primary service area.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that the Hospital of Central Connecticut's proposal to establish sleep laboratory services in Southington, Connecticut meets the exemption requirements under Public Act 09-232 and therefore, a Certificate of Need is not required.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

Attachment

C: Rose McClellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, DHSR, DPH

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