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September 22, 2009

Conrad Ehrlich, M.D.
President
Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C.
67 Sand Pit Road
Danbury, CT 06810

Re:

CON Determination Request; Report Number 09-31445-DTR Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C. Acquisition of a Replacement CT Scanner for the Southbury Office

Dear Dr. Ehrlich:

On September 1, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request seeking a waiver from Certificate of Need ("CON") requirements to replace equipment pursuant to Public Act 09-232. Please be advised that Public Act 09-232 provides that an applicant must have previously obtained a Certificate of Need or a Certificate of Need Determination with respect to the piece of equipment to be replaced before seeking a waiver from this office. Accordingly, OHCA is processing this request as a CON Determination pursuant to § 19a-639a (c) with respect to the acquisition of the GE CTi Spiral, single-slice CT scanner by Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates in 2001. OHCA has reviewed this matter and makes the following findings:

- 1. Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C., ("Applicant") is a for-profit corporation, providing, in part, computed tomography ("CT") services at its office located at 800 Main Street in Southbury, Connecticut.
- 2. The Applicant currently owns and operates a GE CTi Spiral, single-slice CT scanner at its Southbury office.
- 3. On April 5, 2001, the Applicant entered into an agreement with Barrington Medical Imaging, LLC, for the purchase of a GE CTi Spiral, single-slice CT scanner at a total equipment expenditure of \$348,000.
- 4. The Applicant provided evidence demonstrating that it operated the GE CTi Spiral, single-slice CT scanner prior to July 1 2005.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C., is not required to file a Certificate of Need request for the purchase of its existing GE CTi Spiral, single-slice CT scanner, because the Applicant purchased this equipment prior to the implementation of Public Act 05-93 and the equipment was in operation prior to July 1, 2006.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber at (860) 418-7034.

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