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Mr. Alva M. Lambert
Executive Director
State Health Planning & Development Agency
100 North Union Street
Suite 870
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Re: Notice of Proposed Spin-off Transaction

Dear Mr. Lambert:

I am writing on behalf of our client, Community Health Systems, Inc. (“CHSI”), and its subsidiaries identified in the attached documents, each of which owns and operates health care facilities located in Alabama. The purpose of this letter is to provide notice of a proposed transaction involving CHSI and certain of its subsidiaries. As described more fully below, the proposed transaction will not result in any change in the direct ownership of the health care providers described herein, nor will it result in any change in the providers’ legal business names, federal tax identification numbers, Medicare provider numbers, or governing bodies. Accordingly, we do not believe the proposed transaction will constitute a change of ownership for Alabama Certificate of Need purposes, nor do we believe it will otherwise require action with the Alabama State Health Planning & Development Agency (“SHPDA”); however, in an abundance of caution, we are providing this letter, the enclosed forms, and corresponding filing fees to ensure that SHPDA is provided with notice of the proposed transaction.

CHSI is a publicly traded corporation and one of the nation’s leading operators of general acute care hospitals. CHSI’s affiliates currently own, operate, or lease 198 hospitals and various other health care facilities in 29 states, including 10 hospitals in Alabama. The Proposed Spin-off Transaction will result in the creation of a new independent, publicly traded company, Quorum Health Corporation (“QHC”), and changes in the ownership structure of various health care facilities owned and operated by subsidiaries of CHSI. More specifically, 38 hospitals and other health care facilities in 16 states currently operated by subsidiaries of CHSI, along with Quorum Health Resources, LLC, a leading hospital management and consulting business, will be spun off and transferred to QHC (the “Proposed Spin-off Transaction”). As a result, at the closing of the Proposed Spin-off Transaction, QHC will become the affected providers’ ultimate parent company. The Proposed Spin-off Transaction may occur as early as **April 14, 2016**.

Enclosed for your reference as Exhibit A is a listing of all of the CHSI-affiliated facilities holding Alabama Certificates of Need that are intended to be included in the Proposed Spin-off Transaction (each, a “Facility” and collectively, the “Facilities”). In addition, enclosed as Exhibit B are ownership charts showing the ownership structure of each of the Facilities before and after the closing of the Proposed Spin-off Transaction. As you can see, the Proposed Spin-off Transaction will not result in any change in the direct ownership of the legal entities that own and operate the Facilities. Instead, the Proposed Spin-off Transaction will result in a change in the upstream ownership structure of the legal entities that own and operate the Facilities. In each case, the legal entity that owns and operates the Facility will retain its assets,

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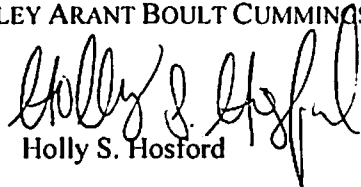
legal business name, and federal tax identification number. Accordingly, the Proposed Spin-off Transaction will not result in a change of ownership of any of the Facilities for Medicare purposes. In addition, no change in the local governing bodies or day-to-day operations of the Facilities is anticipated as a result of the Proposed Spin-off Transaction.

Based on our understanding of the Agency's regulations and in accordance with Ala. Admin. Code § 410-1-7-.04, please find enclosed as Exhibit C responses to the six questions posed by the regulations in cases of changes in ownership or control. It is our understanding that the responses provided in Exhibit C, this notice letter, and the enclosed filing fee of \$7,500.00 (\$2,500.00 per Facility) fulfills CHSI's obligation to notify SHPDA of the Proposed Spin-off Transaction. If that understanding is incorrect, or if you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (205) 521-8376 or hhosford@babac.com.

Very truly yours,

BRADLEY ARANT BOULT CUMMINGS LLP

By:


Holly S. Hosford

Enclosures

cc: Kevin M. Howard (via email: kevin_howard@chs.net)

EXHIBIT A

**CHSI-AFFILIATED FACILITIES IN ALABAMA
INCLUDED IN PROPOSED SPIN-OFF TRANSACTION**

LEGAL ENTITY	LOCATION	FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.	ADDRESS
Centre Hospital Corporation	Center, AL	20-4370931	400 Northwood Drive Centre, Alabama 35960 (Cherokee County)
Fort Payne Hospital Corporation	Fort Payne, AL	20-4370870	200 Medical Center Drive SW Fort Payne, Alabama 35968 (DeKalb County)
Greenville Hospital Corporation	Greenville, AL	63-1134649	29 L. V. Stabler Drive Greenville, Alabama 36037 (Butler County)

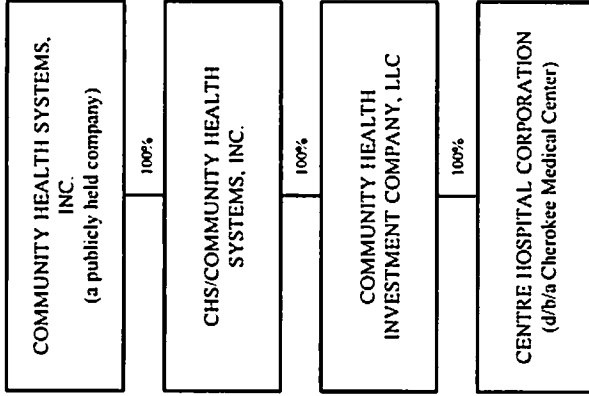
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OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE CHARTS

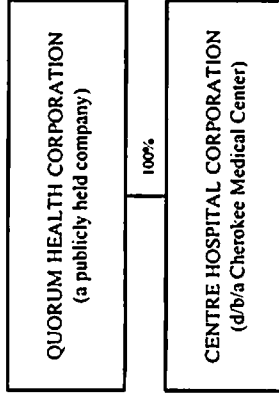
Please see attached.

CENTRE HOSPITAL CORPORATION
OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE CHART

BEFORE PROPOSED TRANSACTION

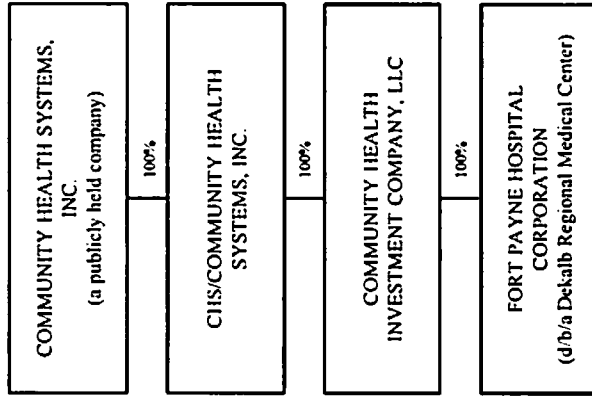


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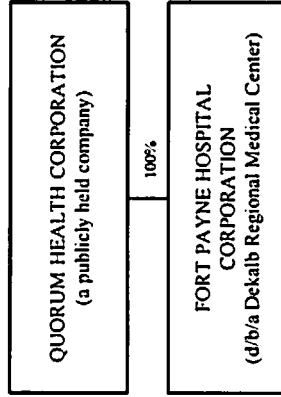


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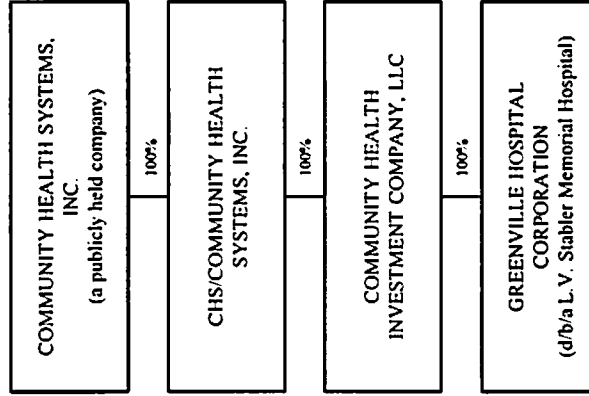


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GREENVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION
OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE CHART

BEFORE PROPOSED TRANSACTION



AFTER PROPOSED TRANSACTION

