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Alva M. Lambert, Esq.
Executive Director
State Health Planning & Development Agency
100 North Union St., Suite 870
Montgomery AL 36104

RE: Request for Reviewability Determination
Crestwood Medical Center (Huntsville, Alabama)

Dear Mr. Lambert:

The purpose of this letter is to request your determination, pursuant to Section 401-1-7-.02 of the Alabama Certificate of Need Program Rules & Regulations ("Regulations"), that the construction of two additional operating rooms in the existing hospital does not require our client, Crestwood Medical Center ("Crestwood"), to obtain a Certificate of Need ("CON") from the State Health Planning and Development Agency. Attached is a check for \$1,000.00 as payment for the applicable fee. In order to assist with this determination, we offer the following information:

The scope of the proposed project will not exceed any of the CON expenditure thresholds specified in Section 410-1-2-.07 of the Regulations, of \$2,806,834 for major medical equipment, of \$1,122,733 for new annual operation costs, or of \$5,613,667 for capital expenditures, as currently adjusted for CPI.

Crestwood currently operates 18 operating rooms and 1 Extracorporeal Shock Wave Lithotripsy room. Crestwood plans to construct two (2) additional operating rooms on the first floor of the hospital. The two (2) proposed operating rooms will be available for use in any surgical specialty. This project will not involve the addition of inpatient beds or the conversion of one classification of beds into another classification of beds. Further, this project will not result in the provision of any new health services.

Accordingly, based on the above, we respectfully request your determination that Crestwood is not required to obtain a CON in order to complete the proposed project. We appreciate your consideration of this request, and welcome the opportunity to address any questions regarding this matter.

Best regards,

Holly S. Hosford

Enclosures