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STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Alva M. Lambert State Health Planning and Development Agency 100 North Union Street, Suite 870 Montgomery, AL 36104

Re: Non-Reviewability Determination Request

Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC

Dear Mr. Lambert:

This firm represents Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC., which proposes to develop a new dialysis facility in Crenshaw County, Alabama. Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC hereby requests, pursuant to the Alabama Certificate of Need Program Rules and Regulations ("SHPDA Rules") Section 410-1-7-.02 and Alabama Code Section 22-21-260 et.seq., that your agency issue a determination that Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC may establish and operate a ten-station dialysis facility in Crenshaw County, Alabama, without requiring CON review. A check in the amount of \$1000.00 for this request is being hand-delivered to your office contemporaneously with the electronic filing of this request.

The total cost of the project will be well below any SHPDA/CON financial thresholds. Pursuant to Section 22-21-278 Code of Alabama 1975, Certificate of Need approval is not required for a dialysis facility in certain counties, based on size municipalities within the respective county. The location for this proposed facility in Luverne is within Crenshaw County, which does not contain a Class 1, 2 or 3 municipality; accordingly, the exemption criteria in the statute are satisfied.

Based upon these facts, and pursuant to Section 22-21-278 Code of Alabama 1975, we ask that your agency confirm our understanding that a CON will not be required for Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC to be allowed to open ten dialysis stations in Crenshaw County in accordance with all rules, regulations, statutes and policy analysis.

Should you have any question concerning this request, please give me a call at any time.

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Services:

Dialysis for End Stage Renal Disease patients

Hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, home hemodialysis

## Affirmation:

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, hereby makes oath or affirms that he serves as Alabama regulatory counsel for Physicians Choice Dialysis of Luverne, LLC, and has knowledge of the facts set forth in the attached request for a reviewability determination, and that such facts, to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, are true and correct.

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this the day of March, 2017.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: