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RE: **Docket Number 08-30150-MDF**; An OHCA initiated modification of the Certificate of Need issued under Docket Number 03-30150-CON

Dear Attorney DeDominicus:

On January 16, 2004, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") granted a Certificate of Need ("CON") to Hospital for Special Care ("HSC") and Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center ("SFHMC") for the establishment of a 28 bed Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) unit by HSC at SFHMC. Condition #4 of the CON authorization required SFHMC to "provide OHCA with control group discharge data reports for the LTAC on an annual basis" and Condition #5 required HSC to "provide OHCA with discharge data reports for the LTQAC on an annual basis."

On December 12, 2008, OHCA issued to HSC and SFHMC, a *PROPOSED MODIFICATION NOTICE REGARDING THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE COLLECTION OF PATIENT LEVEL DATA RELATED TO CERTAIN CERTIFICATES OF NEED AUTHORIZATIONS*. Such Notice indicated OHCA's intent to discontinue the collection of the data provided to OHCA by HSC and SFHMC in compliance with Condition #4 and Condition #5 and explained that OHCA was initiating a modification process to vacate the conditions and relieve HSC and SFHMC from further submission of data in compliance with such conditions.

OHCA determines that this OHCA initiated modification does not affect the relationship of the CON authorization to Section 19a-637 of the Connecticut General Statutes and, as such, OHCA hereby modifies the CON authorized under Docket Number 03-30150-CON. OHCA specifically **VACATES** Condition #4 and Condition #5 as well as Attachment I and Attachment II of the CON order under Docket Number 03-30150-CON. All other conditions set forth in the final decision issued under Docket Number 03-30150-CON and not modified herein, will remain in full effect.

So Ordered by the Office of Health Care Access on January 14, 2009.

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on January 14, 2009

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

Date

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