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Richard Lipton, M.D.
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Ridgefield Surgical Center, LLC
901 Ethan Allen Hwy, Suite 105
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RE: **Docket Number 08-30383-MDF**; An OHCA initiated modification of the Certificate of Need issued under Docket Number 04-30383-CON

Dear Dr. Lipton:

On September 27, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") granted a Certificate of Need ("CON") to Ridgefield Surgical Center, LLC ("RSC") for the establishment of an ambulatory surgery center at 901 Ethan Allen Highway in Ridgefield, Connecticut at a total capital expenditure of \$7,227,182. Condition #4 of the CON authorization required RSC to "provide OHCA with utilization reports on a quarterly basis".

On December 12, 2008, OHCA issued to RSC, 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 RSC in compliance with Condition #4 and explained that OHCA was initiating a modification process to vacate the condition and relieve RSC from further submission of data in compliance with such condition.

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 04-30383-CON. OHCA specifically **VACATES** Condition #4 as well as Attachment 1 of the CON order under Docket Number 04-30383-CON. All other conditions set forth in the CON decision issued under Docket Number 04-30383-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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