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David A. Whitehead
Vice President, Planning
The William W. Backus Hospital
326 Washington Street
Norwich, CT 06360

Re: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30519-DTR
The William W. Backus Hospital
Relocation of Outpatient Rehabilitation Services

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for a CON Determination Report for the relocation of The William W. Backus Hospital's outpatient rehabilitation services from 326 Washington Street to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. The William W. Backus Hospital ("Hospital") is a non-profit acute care hospital located at 326 Washington Street in Norwich.
2. The Hospital currently operates an outpatient rehabilitation service at 326 Washington Street in Norwich. These services include physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech/language pathology. Consultation with a psysiatrist (doctor of physical medicine) is also available.
3. The Hospital proposes to relocate its outpatient rehabilitation services from 326 Washington Street to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich.
4. The same rehabilitation services that are currently provided at the Hospital will be provided at the Backus Outpatient Care Center ("Center") at 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich.
5. Under Docket Number 03-30180-DTR, the Hospital was approved to relocate outpatient diabetes, endocrinology and wound care services to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich.

6. There are no new services to be provided at the Center.
7. The total capital expenditure associated with the relocation is \$475,000 for renovations.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that CON approval is not required for the relocation of the Hospital's outpatient rehabilitation services from 326 Washington Street to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich, pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please feel free to contact Kim Martone, CON Supervisor, at (860) 418-7029.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

c: Rose McLellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, DPH, DCBR

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