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Dale Galassie
Chairman
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525 W. Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Project #12-004, Fresenius Medical Care North Pekin

Dear Mr. Galassie:

My name is Jonathan A. Williams and I am Vice President of Commercial Banking with Commerce Bank. This purpose of this letter is to state my full support for the establishment of the Fresenius Medical Care North Pekin dialysis center. This proposed facility would answer the current need for accessible dialysis services for the residents of the rural Tazewell County as well as the more populated Pekin/North Pekin area. We have an aging population that is more prone to the diseases that cause kidney failure. Along with dialysis they are also dealing with other chronic conditions.

Having the North Pekin clinic in this location would greatly benefit our community by minimizing the challenge of traveling to and from treatment. Driving long distances is a hardship on an elderly patient, who is often ill after their treatment. In addition, it places extra difficulties on the family and friends who may be involved in transporting the patient.

Locating a clinic in North Pekin would be a much appreciated supplement to our desire to improve the quality of life of our senior citizens, especially for those who must endure dialysis. I would like to give my enthusiastic support for this proposed facility and ask that the Board vote in favor of the Fresenius Medical Care North Pekin dialysis clinic.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jonathan A. Williams
Vice President

Paul E. Macek
President and Chief Executive Officer

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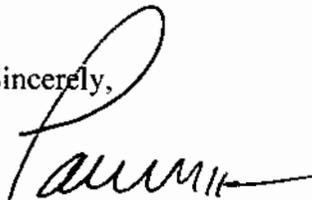
My name is Paul Macek and I am President and CEO of Proctor Hospital in Peoria, Illinois. The purpose of this letter is to state my full support for the establishment of the *Fresenius Medical Care North Pekin Dialysis Center*. This proposed facility would answer the current need for accessible dialysis services for the residents of the rural Tazewell County, as well as the more populated Pekin/North Pekin area. We have an aging population that is more prone to the diseases that cause kidney failure. Along with dialysis they are also dealing with other chronic conditions.

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Paul E. Macek
President and CEO, Proctor Hospital