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**Re: Supplemental Information
Project # 12-055, Fresenius Medical Care Lockport**

Dear Ms. Avery,

The enclosed pages contain supplemental information in response to the Intent to Deny given to the above mentioned project at the December 10, 2012 meeting.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this information.

Sincerely,

Lori Wright
Senior CON Specialist

cc: Clare Ranalli

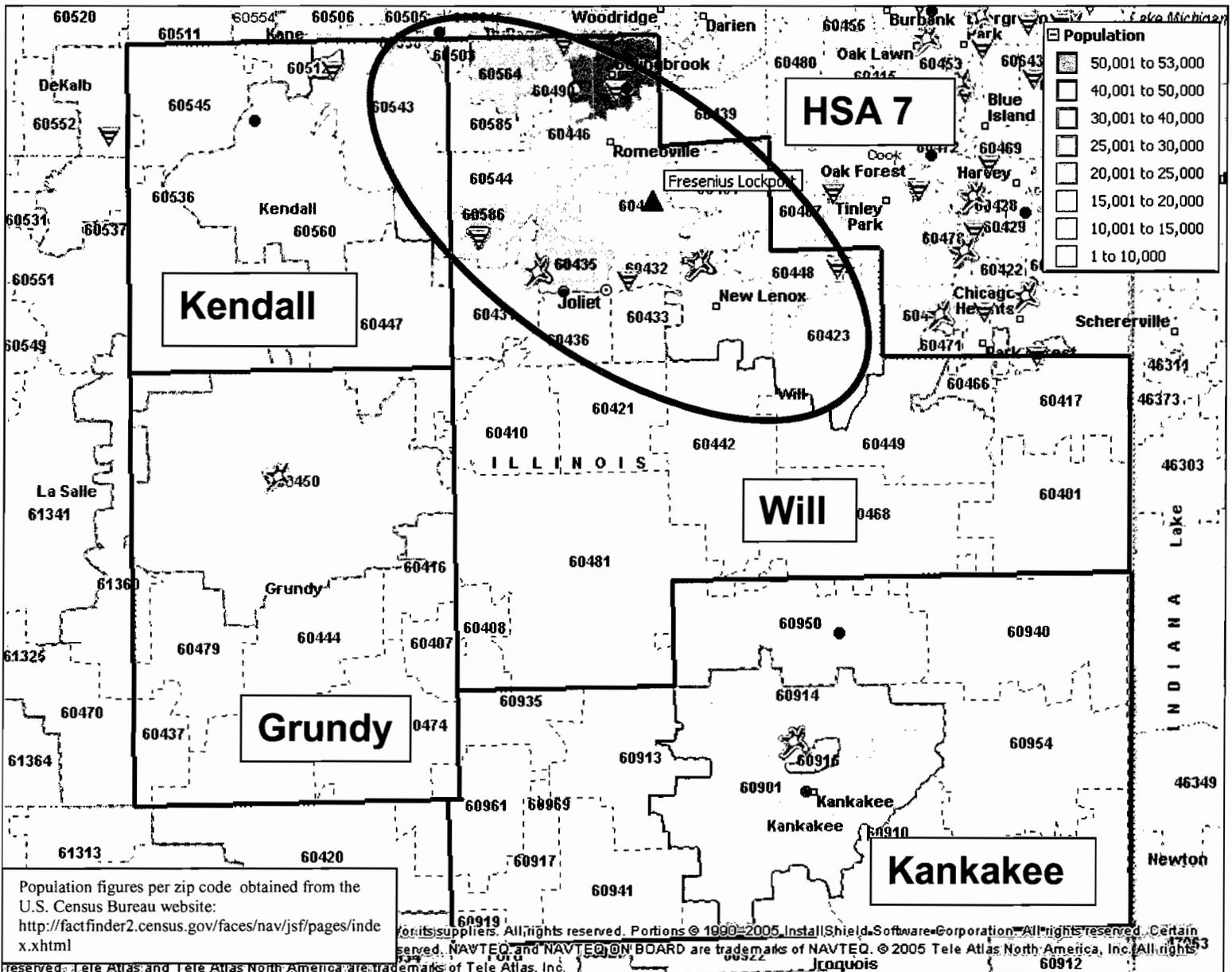
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR #12-055 Fresenius Medical Care Lockport

In response to the Intent to Deny issued to project #12-055 at the December 10, 2012 meeting, Fresenius Medical Care is submitting this additional information and requests the Board to reconsider its decision based on the following information.

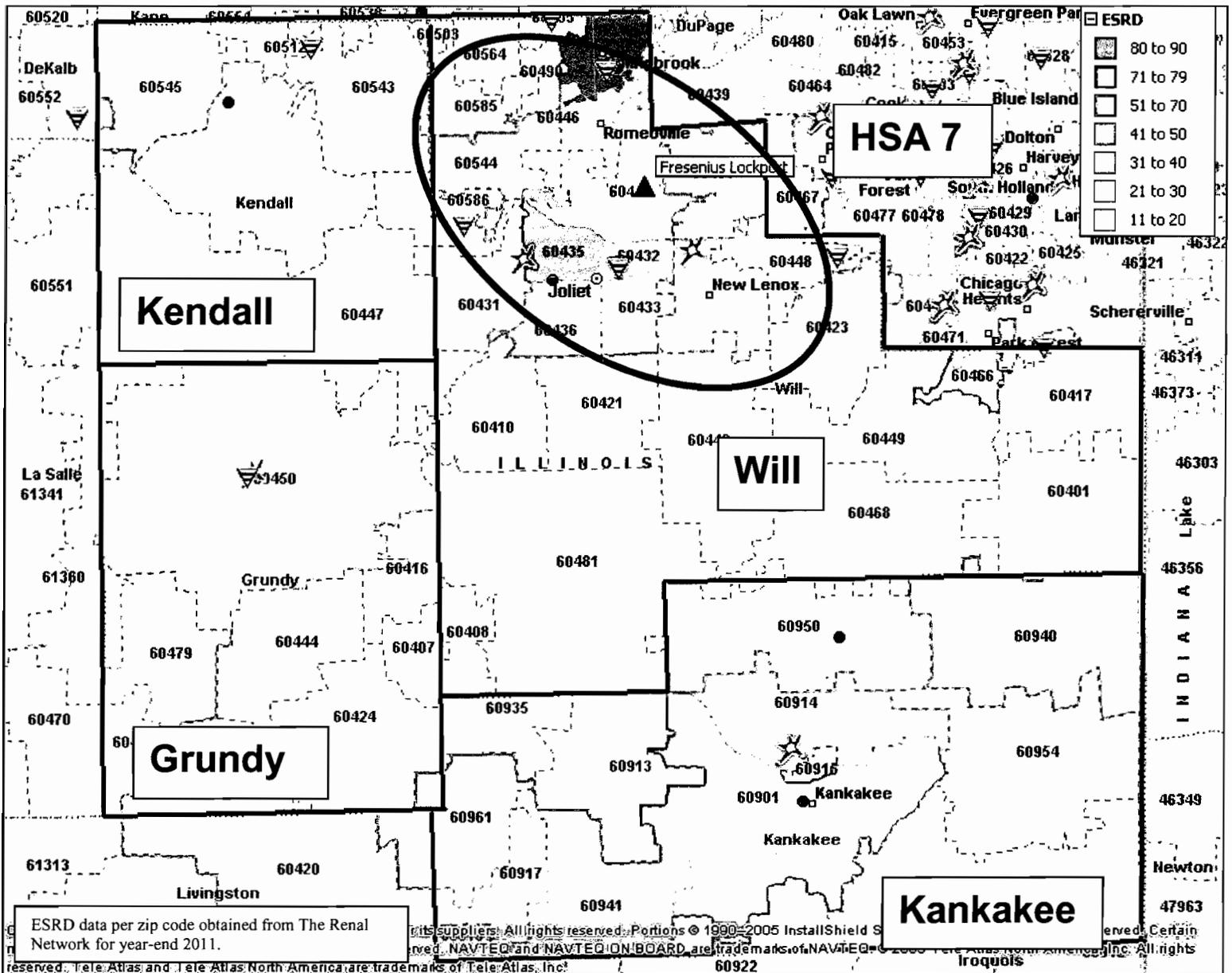
The project will not cause maldistribution of services according to the ratio of stations to population in the Lockport area, which is **1 station for every 7,611 residents** as listed in Attachment 26c of the application. There are more than double the numbers of residents per station than the State average of 1/3,250. The fact that there is an excess of stations in HSA 9 despite the lack of stations for the population in Lockport is due to the distribution of the population in HSA 9. The map below shows the population distribution in HSA 9 which includes Will County where Lockport is located.



The map clearly shows that the highest population density lies in the northeast portion of HSA 9 and more specifically the northern half of Will County bordering Suburban Cook and DuPage Counties (HSA 7) where there is a need for an additional 51 stations. Because of its proximity to HSA 7 the facility will also serve 30 patients identified from Lemont, which is just over the border into HSA 7.

HSA 9 had 1,171,557 residents in the zip codes that were mapped according to the 2010 census. One-third, or 615,378, of the HSA population is found in northern Will County, where the Lockport clinic is proposed.

With the population density there is an increased prevalence of end stage renal disease patients requiring additional stations for the area. The map below shows the location of ESRD patients in HSA 9, which is similar to the distribution of the general population. There are 1,057 ESRD patients represented for all of HSA 9 and **half (519) reside in the northern half of Will County**. There are a few pockets of patient population density in each of the 3 remaining counties.



HSA 9 added a total of 257,630 residents to its population between 2000 and 2010 according to the 2010 census for a total growth of 37%. **The majority of this growth, 68%, occurred in Will County**, which added 175,294 residents.

H S A 9 County	2000 Population	2010 Population	Difference	Population Growth Percent
Grundy	37,535	50,063	12,528	33%
Kankakee	103,833	113,449	9,616	9%
Kendall	54,544	114,736	60,192	110%
Will	502,266	677,560	175,294	35%
Total	698,178	955,808	257,630	37%

Included in this population boom was a dramatic growth in the Hispanic population. Those of Hispanic descent are twice as likely to develop diabetes and hypertension which are the two main causes of kidney failure. The Hispanic population in Will County doubled while the Hispanic population of Lockport itself tripled from 2000-2010.

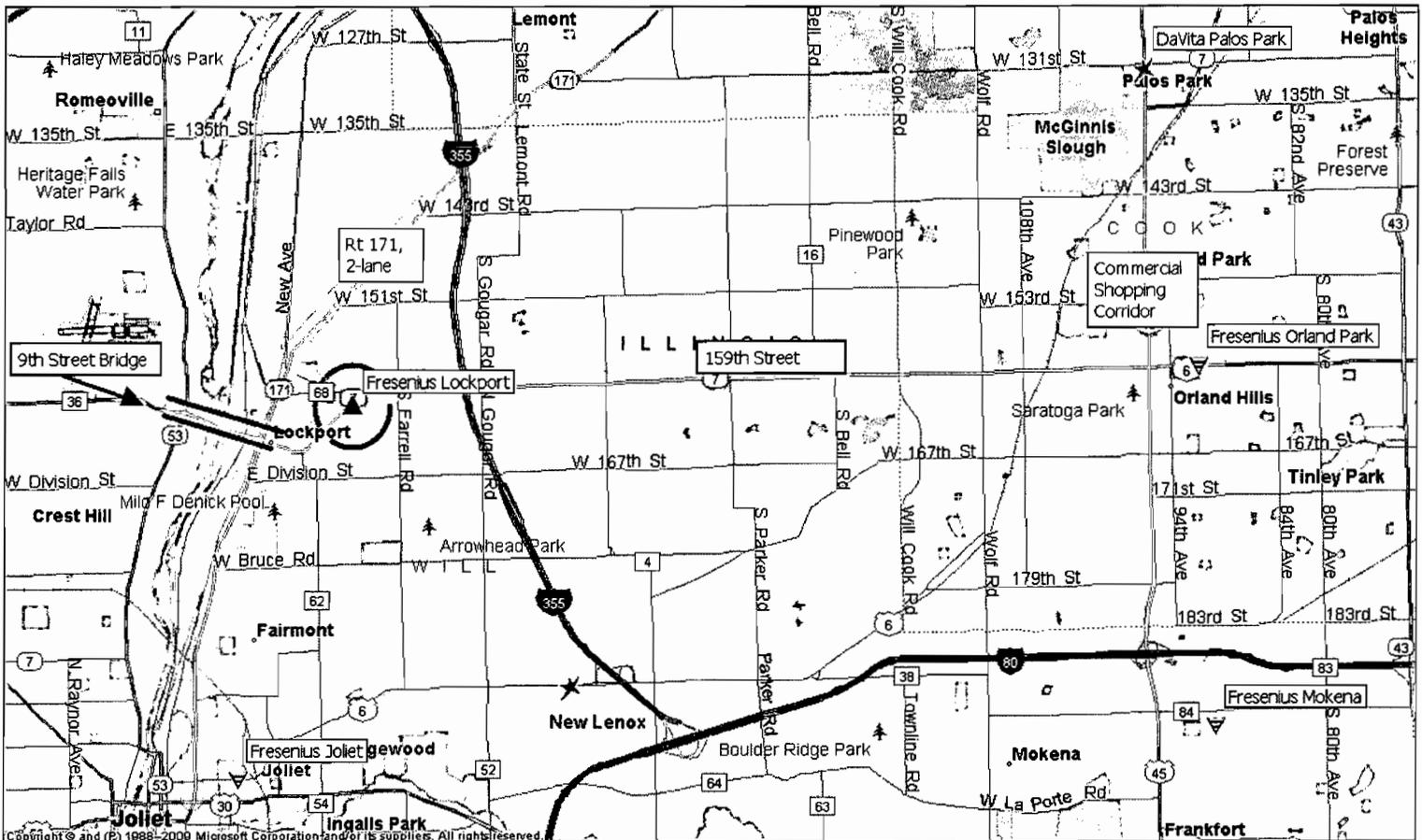
Area	2000 Hispanic Population	2010 Hispanic Population	Difference	Percent Growth
Will County	43,768	105,817	62,049	142%
Lockport	660	2,025	1,365	207%

We encourage the Board to consider these conditions that are unique to the northern half of Will County in HSA 9 along with the travel difficulties Lockport residents face as previously stated in the application, at the December 10th Board meeting and as referenced on the following page.

2000 and 2010 Census data obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau website: <http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>

Lockport is not easily accessible due to its geographic location. The town is somewhat locked in by the travel barriers of the Des Plaines River and railroad tracks to west with only the 9th Street bridge to cross over. To the east, travel out of town for patients is accessed by 159th street, which is congested and two lane much of the way, through to the highly congested Orland Park commercial shopping district. I-355 is nearby; however, elderly and ill dialysis patients do not typically utilize expressways to and from dialysis treatment. The only other road passing through Lockport is Rt. 171 which is also a two-lane road that becomes highly congested during rush hour and can be hazardous at night or in inclement weather for patients to travel.

The map below demonstrates the previously mentioned travel barriers for patients living in Lockport. The town of Lockport has transportation services that will transport area patients to the Lockport facility if approval is once again granted, making this an ideal situation for the patients in this area of Will County.



We respectfully ask the Board to once again approve a clinic for the residents of Lockport and we thank the Board members and staff for their time and consideration to this additional information.