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August 16, 2013

Mr. Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Proposed Preferred SurgiCenter

Dear Mr. Constantino,

On February 5, 2013 Palos Community Hospital submitted a letter indicating there would be a negative impact on this facility should the proposed ambulatory surgic+enter at 10 Orland Square Drive in Orland Park be approved. That letter was sent directly to the applicant (copy attached).

It is our understanding that the applicant is resubmitting a slightly modified proposal. Please be advised that while Palos Community Hospital has, in fact, opened its newly expanded surgical suite and procedural area, that area continues to have unused capacity. Accordingly, we continue to strongly believe that the proposed facility at 10 Orland Square Drive, Orland Park, would unnecessarily duplicate existing services and act to increase the cost of surgical care in the southwest suburbs. Accordingly, we continue to oppose the project.

Sincerely,

David B. Manchester
Interim President & CEO

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Attachment



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February 5, 2013

Dr. Naser Rustom
10 Orland Square Drive
Orland Park, IL 60462

RE: Proposed Preferred SurgiCenter

Dear Dr. Rustom:

Palos Community Hospital is in receipt of your letter of January 21, 2013 regarding the proposed establishment of an ambulatory surgery center at 10 Orland Square Drive in Orland Park, IL.

This proposed 3-operating room facility would, we believe, have a negative impact on Palos Community Hospital. This hospital is about to open a new Pavilion that includes, among other things, a greatly expanded surgical suite and procedural area. In addition, we are fully aware that there are several outpatient surgical facilities within an 8-mile radius that are underutilized.

Accordingly, it is our position that there is every reason to believe that the proposed facility at 10 Orland Square Drive would unnecessarily duplicate existing services and serve to increase the costs of surgical care in the southwest suburbs. As a result, we must oppose this project.

Sincerely,

David Manchester
Vice President, Professional Services