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Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services
Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD**

Re: Advocate Lutheran General Hospital--Project 13-026

Dear Ms. Avery:

The Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board granted Advocate Lutheran General Hospital (Hospital) a permit on August 13, 2013 to expand the existing Surgery and Emergency Department. On March 25, 2015, the Hospital filed the first alteration to the project. This alteration included converting space originally planned for administrative/education space to clinical usage and installing a supplemental steel structure in one of the previous approved new operating rooms in order to convert it to a hybrid operating room in the future. The alteration did not include the acquisition of the imaging equipment, but noted that the equipment would be acquired and installed "in the future when capital funds are allocated."

The total project is currently nearing completion. Since the filing and approval of the above mentioned alteration to Project 13-026, two important events have transpired. Firstly, our capital request for the new hybrid operating room equipment package was approved. Secondly, many of the line item costs that were projected originally or in the alteration will be under budget when the project is completed. The installation of the hybrid operating room equipment now will prevent future operational impact to the hospital and immediately increase cutting edge clinical services offered to our patients. We are planning to install the equipment before the project is complete.

The cost of the proposed equipment and installation can most likely be absorbed in the approved permit amount or at least within the permit amount plus 7 percent that is allowed in the rules.





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The purpose of this letter is solely to advise you of this turn of events. If you have any questions about our intended acquisition and installation of the equipment that will complete the hybrid room before project completion, please contact our CON consultant, Janet Scheuerman at prismjanet@AOL.com.

Sincerely,

James J. Kokaska
Advocate Health Care
Director – North Region Design & Construction

