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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Attn: Courtney Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: 13-048, AegeanMed Transitional Care Center of Lockport

To Whom It May Concern,

December 18, 2013

I am writing on behalf of Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation, located at 12450 Walker Road in Lemont, IL. We have recently become aware of the intent to build a new transitional care facility in Lockport, IL, and wish to make you aware of the services we have been providing to the surrounding communities for the past 18 years.

Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation is a 158 bed skilled nursing facility serving Lemont, Lockport, Homer Glen, Orland Park, Palos Heights, Palos Hills, Tinley Park, Bolingbrook and the greater Joliet area. We provide both short and long term care services, ranging widely based upon need and skill level. Some of these services include a Comprehensive Orthopedic Recovery program, Congestive Heart Failure program, Peritoneal Dialysis, Dementia Care, IV Management, Transitional Palliative Care, Wound Care program overseen by a Physiatrist specializing in Wound care, Cardiac Care "Heart Smart" and Bridge to Home program.

We offer specialized equipment and physicians based upon the aforementioned programs. Our Comprehensive Orthopedic Recovery program utilizes the Alter G Anti- Gravity treadmill, which allows non and limited weight bearing patients the opportunity to walk weightlessly, and transition home 50% sooner than their peers at competitor facilities. The Congestive Heart Failure, and "Heart Smart", programs are monitored by an on staff cardiologist weekly to ensure patient stability and an expedited transition home. These are just some examples of the transitional care we offer.

As you can see, a new facility in Lockport is not necessary. Not only would this proposed facility be offering duplicative services, it would oversaturate an area encompassing 20 plus skilled/ transitional care facilities which have all been serving the same communities for a long period of time.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Wendy Janulis
Administrator