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October 10, 2013

Ms. Kathryn Olson
Chairwoman
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Project #13-049, Nocturnal Dialysis Spa, LLC

Dear Ms. Olson:

My name is Dr. Constantine Delis and I am a nephrologist practicing with Associates in Nephrology (AIN) in the Melrose Park area. I am writing in reference to the CON application submitted by Dr. Humayun and being supported by his associates Dr. Wagener, Dr. Rao, Dr. Qureshi, & Dr. Mubeen. The applicant is proposing a 12 station dialysis clinic in Villa Park that will offer traditional dialysis on the 1st and 2nd shift of the day and nocturnal dialysis at night.

This practice group currently has approximately 30 patients dialyzing at the Fresenius Melrose Park clinic and another 15 at the Fresenius North Avenue clinic, also in Melrose Park. The Melrose Park facility is only at 65% of its capacity and could easily add nocturnal dialysis to accommodate the patients of Dr. Humayun's who want nocturnal dialysis. He has not approached the clinic to see if he can admit his patients at Melrose Park who want nocturnal dialysis, but again we would be happy to accommodate them.

Offering nocturnal dialysis here in Melrose Park, which is much more convenient to where the current ESRD and identified pre-ESRD patients live would offer better access, be more cost effective and would make better use of existing facilities. I do not see a need for a new facility when there is capacity in the area for general dialysis, and when we can accommodate those patients of Dr. Humayan's who may want nocturnal dialysis.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Dr. Constantine Delis

