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September 17, 2013

Mr. George Roate
State of Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Mr. Roate,

Please find enclosed page 17A of the CON application for the discontinuation of service for Pediatrics at Freeport Memorial Hospital. Please contact me directly if there is anything else you may need.

Thank you,

Sharon Summers

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Section II. Discontinuation
Criterion 1110.130

1. **Freeport Memorial Hospital proposes to discontinue the Pediatric category of service which consists of 15 certified beds located on the 2nd floor of the Hospital.**
2. **No additional clinical services will be discontinued.**
3. **It is anticipated to discontinue services once approved by the Health Facilities Planning Board.**
4. **The 15 bed unit will be used to care for adult Medical Surgical patients.**
5. **All medical records will be retained on site within the Medical Records department.**

Reason for Discontinuation

Over the past several years, Freeport Memorial has experienced significant declines in Pediatric admissions. Pediatric services are delivered on an outpatient basis and those critical patients are transferred to the three Rockford Hospitals for a higher level of care. There was a total of 95 Pediatric admissions/observations in 2012.

Impact on Access
Please refer to the letters of support on pages 22,23,24 Attachment 40.