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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD**

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

RE: Project: 14-032 St. Bernard Hospital Ambulatory Care Center/Physicians Office Building

Dear Ms. Avery:

As you know, Chicago's South Side population and demographic characteristics indicate a medically underserved population, diminished health status, and a great need for preventative and ongoing care for those with many health related co-morbidities. In addition, the geographic area has identified environmental issues which have contributed to health problems in the area. Our proposed ACC/POB will improve access to health care services, which in turn will improve the health of the population on Chicago's South Side.

Although not directly related to health care delivery or our Permit Application, the proposed project's potential contribution to unwanted air pollution during construction has been raised. We have received a letter from the Environmental Law & Policy Center regarding this issue. Comments were also made at the September 15th Public Hearing. Please be assured we take this very seriously. We will be working closely with our construction manager, Berglund Construction, to mitigate any related short-term environmental concerns if our CON Permit Application is approved by the Review Board. I have attached a letter from Mr. Tom Sicinski from Berglund. Already a meeting has been set up on Friday, September 19, to address the environmental concerns.

I would appreciate it if this letter could be made part of the public record. If you have any questions, I would be happy to assist you. I can be reached at 773-962-4100.

Sincerely,



Charles Holland
President and CEO

cc: Mr. M. Constantino, Supervisor, Project Review Section, IHFS Review Board
Mr. E. Parkhurst



September 16, 2014

Re: St. Bernard Hospital & Health Center
New Ambulatory Facility Project
Environmental Law & Policy Center
Letter Dated September 9th, 2014

Dear Mr. Holland,

We are in receipt of Environmental Law & Policy Center's dated September 9th, 2014 from Faith E. Bugel.

We will be contacting them soon to set up a meeting with our team to discuss their concerns as addressed in their letter and in remarks at the public hearing on September 15, on the following:

- EPA Tier 4 Construction Vehicles
- Tier 4 Generators
- No Idling Policy

We will advise you on when this meeting shall be held.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Sicinski
Sr. Vice President
Berglund Construction