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Ahmed Abdelsalam, MD
Hauser Ross Eye Institute
2240 Gateway Drive
Sycamore, IL 60178

Dear Dr. Abdelsalam:

This letter is being provided in response to your request that Midland Surgical Center ("Midland") identify the anticipated impact that your proposed ambulatory surgical treatment center will have on Midland.

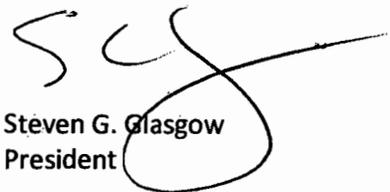
Midland is the only multi-specialty surgery center in the DeKalb/Sycamore market, and is located within 7 minutes of Hauser Ross. Midland provides both ophthalmology and ENT surgical services.

You are seeking approval for the establishment of a surgery center to provide ophthalmology and ENT procedures. While the narrative of your application suggests a limited scope of ENT procedures anticipated to be performed, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board grants approval for surgical specialties, rather than specific surgical procedures. As a result, it is impossible to accurately quantify the project's impact on Midland's ENT caseload.

During 2013, 2,806 surgical procedures were performed at Midland. Of those procedures, 51.1% were categorized as ophthalmology, and performed by either you or members of your practice. An additional 6.7% of the cases performed at Midland in 2013 were ENT.

If approved by the IHFSRB, your practice would move its caseload to Hauser Ross causing a **loss of half of the total cases currently performed at Midland**. As such, the impact of your proposal would be very significant on Midland.

Sincerely,



Steven G. Glasgow
President