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October 21, 2014

VIA EMAIL
CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Susan Beeler, Project Manager
St. Elizabeth Hospital
211 South Third Street
Belleville, Illinois 62220

Re: Project #14-043 and #14-044

Dear Ms Beeler:

We are in the process of reviewing applications #14-043 and #14-044 and have some additional questions:

1. As part of the approval of permit #13-034 you stated that you would not discontinue AMI services until Touchette Regional Hospital's AMI unit was completed and operating. Should the Board approve project #14-043 and #14-044 please provide assurance that this condition will remain in effect.
2. The 2013 and 2012 Hospital profile information for St. Elizabeth Hospital reports no utilization for pediatric beds. We consider this a discontinuation of a category of service without a permit. Please explain why patient days were not reported for this service and why this service was not discontinued earlier.
3. Your 2013 utilization for intensive care beds justifies 24 beds and not the 16 beds you are requesting? Why are you only proposing the 16 ICU beds at the new facility in O'Fallon? Please provide justification for the 16 ICU beds.
4. Your medical surgical patient days have decreased over the past 5 years at annual rate of over 5%. On your projections for medical surgical days for 2019 you are projecting an increase of over 10,000 patient days from 2013 levels. Please explain this.
5. You did a separate need analysis for all services being proposed for this project. For our report we would like a short *one paragraph* summarizing these projections.
6. What is the average age of the buildings on the Belleville campus?
7. How many open houses, public forums have you held informing the public of the move of St. Elizabeth Hospital?
8. Have you met with the City of Belleville's leadership? If so, how many times and on what dates? Has the City of Belleville offered you any incentives to stay in the City of Belleville such as tax increment financing?

9. Please provide an explanation of the tax increment financing and any other incentives the City of O'Fallon is providing for the new hospital and medical office building.
10. Please provide a copy of your admission policy and charity care policy for the proposed hospital?
11. Please provide a schematic drawing for the new hospital and ambulatory care building along with a stacking plan and the layout (where the buildings are going to be situated on the 140 acre site in O'Fallon.)
12. Are you expecting the same payor mix at the new hospital as the old hospital? Please provide the expected payor mix at the new hospital?
13. Please explain what \$1,841,000 in CON Design Services includes.
14. I cannot read pages 65-70 of Application #14-043. I am going to need clearer pages.
15. I am seeing this number ("20,429") in the itemization of project costs. What is this?
16. I cannot determine how you calculated the equivalent patient days. Please provide that calculation.

Should you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Mike Constantino or George Roate of my staff. They can be reached at mike.constantino@illinois.gov or george.roate@illinois.gov or at 217.782.3516.

Sincerely,



Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

cc: Kathy Olson, Chairwoman