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May 20, 2016

Via Federal Express
Via E-Mail

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702

Re: Project #16-019, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center

Dear. Ms. Avery:

On behalf of the co-applicants for this project, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center and Sarah Bush Lincoln Health System, we are requesting an expedited review of the above-referenced project for consideration at the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board's (HFSRB's) meeting of August 2, 2016.

The currently scheduled date for the HFSRB's consideration of this project is October 25, 2016, which is more than 5 months (160 days) after the CON application was declared "complete" and two meetings later than the date shown on the HFSRB website for consideration of a project declared "complete" on May 18, 2016.

The co-applicants hope to begin construction of this much-needed project in September, 2016, which would not be possible if the project were not heard by the HFSRB until late October. Delaying the start of this project would extend the construction period and delay the hospital's ability to initiate the operation of its expanded Medical/Surgical, Cardio-Pulmonary, and Nuclear Medicine Services, all of which are currently being provided in undersized facilities.

This project consists solely of the expansion of services that are currently being provided at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center and does not include the establishment of any new Categories of Service or Clinical Service Areas.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andrea R. Rozran
Principal

cc: Michael Constantino
Kimberly Uphoff
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