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Ms. Kathryn Olson
Chair
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Fresenius Kidney Care East Aurora

Dear Ms. Olson:

I am writing to request your approval of an expedited review of the Fresenius Kidney Care East Aurora CON application to be heard on the August 2, 2016 agenda. I am aware that there have been numerous similar requests recently, however it is vital to the existence of this project to be heard at that time or we will lose our site and have to start over with a new site search, which could take months. Our current Aurora facility is significantly over utilized and as a result is operating a 4th daily treatment shift. It is imperative that the East Aurora project is not delayed.

The problem we have encountered, which may cause us to lose the site, is that the property for the proposed facility is the subject of a bank foreclosure. The Bank initially was only willing to hold the property for 30 days with respect to the developer's offer to purchase the property, but agreed to give us until August 2nd to hopefully gain CON approval. Without us having CON approval, the developer will not purchase the property and the Bank has a second bidder waiting in the wings so it has other options should we pass that date.

After August 2nd, we will lose the site and will have to begin another property search. Since there are limited properties available in this underserved area of Aurora a new search could take a considerable amount of time.

I believe the application will meet Board criteria and respectfully ask that you consider expediting its hearing to the August 2, 2016 meeting.

Sincerely,

Lori Wright

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