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SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street - Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**RE: E-023-13
Annual Progress Report**

Dear Ms. Avery:

On December 13, 2013 the Health Facilities and Services Review Board approved an application for Exemption to Permit for Mercy Hospital and Medical to establish a 15-bed Neonatal Intensive Care service. This Exemption is to be completed by December 12, 2015.

As we are near the anniversary of the Board's approval, I am submitting this Annual Progress Report for your information. The Hospital has and is taking the following steps:

- Notified IDPH of its Intent to Establish a Level III Perinatal Service;
- Notified the Perinatal Advisory Board of its Intent to Establish a Level III Perinatal Service;
- Soliciting and reviewing proposals from specialty pediatric sub-specialists and other consultants; and
- Working to meet the requirements of the Perinatal Advisory Board in order to submit to its inspection;

We will advise you of the completion of the Exemption, i.e., the opening of the unit, prior to completion date.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at 312.567.2255.

Sincerely,

Richard Cerceo
Chief Operating Officer

cc: Jeffrey Mark