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COMMENTS: Thank You.

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August 4, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery, Project Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: Project: 11-063 Proctor Community Hospital
Request for "Expedited Review"

Dear Ms. Avery:

Proctor Community Hospital DBA Proctor Hospital, Peoria, Illinois, has submitted a substantive project application for a permit to offer a new service at its main community hospital facility. It is planned to be an acute mental illness (AMI), "distinct part," geriatric, inpatient service.

It is my understanding our project application is scheduled for review by the IHFSR Board on November 22, 2011. I am requesting an "expedited review" at the October 12-13, 2011 IHFSR Board Meeting for the following reasons:

1. We cannot begin hospital renovation for this new program until it has been approved by the IHFSR Board. Such renovation will require 60 to 75 days.
2. If we start the program, it will be operated as a CMS, Medicare, "exempt" unit and, as such, must start on the first day of our fiscal year, which is January 1, 2012. If we cannot provide this much needed service by January 1, 2012, we cannot start the service until January 1, 2013.

It is our goal to begin providing this acute mental illness (AMI), geriatric service on January 1, 2012. A hearing at the October Board meeting could help us achieve our goal. We earnestly ask that you give our request serious and favorable consideration.

With Kindest Regards,

Eric Zehr, Vice President
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