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Via FedEx

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

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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Re: Request for Permit Renewal; Project # 16-027

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of U.S. Renal West Chicago Dialysis (the "Facility"), I request that the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (the "Board") renew the Facility's certificate of need permit for Project # 16-027 to September 30, 2018. This is the Facility's first request for permit renewal.

The current Project Completion Date is March 31, 2018. The construction of the Facility is complete, and the Illinois Department of Public Health ("IDPH") completed an initial Life Safety Code survey and found no deficiencies. The Facility applied for Medicare certification, but it has not yet received a notice of Medicare certification. Because IDPH does not license ESRD facilities, the Board considers an ESRD project to be complete when it receives its Medicare certification. If IDPH did license ESRD facilities, the Project would be been complete.

The Facility had thought that it would have received its Medicare certification well before the Project Completion Date, but the application and approval process is taking longer than Applicants have experienced in the past. The Facility believes that it will receive certification soon after the current Project Completion Date but requests the Board to renew the Project's permit for an additional six months in case anything unforeseen delays the certification process.

The Project's costs and scope comply with the permit that the Board approved. The Facility has sufficient financial resources to complete the Project.

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I enclose a check for \$500 as payment of the application processing fees for this request for permit renewal. I thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Edward Clancy

Enclosure

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