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Courtney Avery
Board Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, IL 60602

Re: Request for Relinquishment - Project #17-018
18-039

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of the Permit Holders, DuPage Vascular Care, LLC and Nephrology Associates of Northern Illinois LTD. ("NANI") for the above referenced project, DuPage Vascular Care, we respectfully request to relinquish the Certificate of Need permit associated with HFSRB Project #17-018 pursuant to Ill. Admin. Code Section 1130.580.

Description of Permit and Related Costs:

On September 26, 2017, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("HFSRB") approved the Permit Holders' application for the establishment of a single specialty Ambulatory Surgery Treatment Center ("ASTC") dedicated to vascular access procedures. The facility was to be located at 7425 Janes Avenue, Ste. 101, Woodridge, Illinois 60517. The proposed project price for the ASTC was \$1,107,044.

We have also included a copy of the permit letter issued by the HFSRB to the Permit Holders appended as EXHIBIT A.

Reasons for Relinquishment:

As a result of rising construction costs we are unable to move forward with the project and complete it as presented to and approved by the HFSRB. The additional expected cost is sufficient to exceed the allowable amount that could be addressed through the alteration process. As a result we are forced to relinquish this permit and re-evaluate what the costs would be required to convert this existing office based laboratory into an ASTC.

Rational for Request:

Our request to relinquish the permit associated with the project is unrelated to patient care. We are happy to report that our patients will continue to receive the necessary services to

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meet their medical needs and serve this patient population at our existing office based laboratories. Upon submission of this application, the HFSRB Staff Report reflected that there was not a *need* for an ASTC based on your need criteria. However, this project was unique in that it was to serve an existing dedicated patient population which requires vascular access procedures. We applaud the HFSRB for recognizing the un-met need for this service in this community and our commitment to providing this care to our existing patients.

We thank the HFSRB and their staff for their time and efforts with regard to this application. It is out of respect for the HFSRB and its process that this initial application was filed and that this relinquishment is presented.

A check in the amount of \$1,000 payable to Illinois Department of Public Health for the application processing fee is enclosed with this request.

If you should have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 312-212-4967 or via email at JMorado@beneschlaw.com, you can also contact my colleague Mark J. Silberman at 312-212-4952 or via email at MSilberman@beneschlaw.com.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Mike Constantino, Senior Project Reviewer