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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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RE: Valley Ambulatory Surgery Center, St. Charles

Dear Ms. Avery:

We represent Valley Ambulatory Surgery Center, L.P. ("VASC"), and this letter is to request expedited review of VASC's CON application seeking approval to build a replacement ambulatory surgical treatment center ("ASTC"). VASC filed a Certificate of Need application to establish a multi-specialty ASTC at 2475 Dean Street, St. Charles, on October 17, 2017, and it plans to file an exemption application to discontinue the existing facility located at 2210 Dean Street, St. Charles, in the next few days.

VASC respectfully requests expedited review and that the Review Board place VASC's applications on its January 9, 2018 agenda for the following reasons:

- (i) VASC seeks to relocate to a newly constructed building near its current facility, and the developer will need to begin construction in Spring 2018 in order for VASC to gain occupancy by September 2019;
- (ii) VASC, the real estate developer, and landowner are parties to time sensitive agreements relating to the land sale for the new site and delays may jeopardize sale of the property; and
- (iii) VASC must provide a full year's notice of intent to terminate the existing lease to the current landlord, and VASC's ability to provide this notice is contingent on Review Board action on the CON application.

Thank you for your consideration of VASC's applications and request for placement on the January 9, 2018 agenda.

Very truly yours,



Claire M. Reed

cc: Michael Constantino
Daniel Hauer, Administrator, VASC