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Via Electronic Mail & U.S. Mail

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

Re: Expedited Review Request

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am requesting an expedited review for the certificate of need ("CON") permit application submitted by Premier Cardiac Surgery Center, LLC, ("Applicant"). The Applicant wanted me to submit its CON permit application by October 12, 2017 so that its application could be heard at the February 2018 meeting of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("State Board"). The Applicant strongly prefers this hearing date for business and project funding reasons.

I was unable to complete and submit the CON permit application by the October 12 deadline due to the birth of my second child, which occurred on a date earlier than my family expected due to unforeseen medical reasons. I completed and submitted the application a few days after the October 12 deadline. The State Board, if an expedited review is granted, will still have ample time to review this Application.

I respectfully request expedited review for this application. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail or telephone. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Hylak-Reinholtz Attorney for Applicant

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