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#### VIA E-MAIL

John P. Kniery
Board Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

# Re: Permit Renewal Request-Rush University Medical Center Ambulatory Care Building, Project #18-023

Dear Mr. Kniery:

On October 30, 2018, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("HFSRB") approved Project #18-023, an 11-story medical office building for the Rush University Medical Center ("RUMC" or "Permit Holder") located in Chicago, Illinois. The purpose of this letter is to request a permit renewal pursuant to 77 Ill. Admin. Code 1130.730. Enclosed you will find a check with the permit renewal fee. This is our first extension request.

### Request Project Completion Date

The Permit Holder requests that the HFSRB grant a permit renewal and establish Friday, December 29, 2023 as the project completion date for this project.

# Status of the Project

Through July 31, 2022, the Permit Holder has spent \$315,300,000 on the project. Significant work has been completed on the project as of the time of this request. The building shell, mechanical work, and build out of several floors, and the pedestrian skyway connecting the building to RUMC are complete. Many of the completed floors within structure are ready for inspection and will shortly be ready for occupancy while the remainder of the project is completed.

## **Statement Regarding Project Completion**

While sufficient progress has been made on the construction of the project, additional time is necessary to close the project out in an orderly fashion and accommodate an alteration request that is also pending before the Board. The Permit Holder has submitted an alteration requesting approval to relocate their outpatient procedures currently performed in an eight (8) suite endoscopy unit within RUMC to the eighth floor of the Ambulatory Care Building. The inclusion of the

endoscopy program to the new building will allow RUMC to better utilize the new space and meet the demand across the system. If approved this permit renewal request will provide the necessary time and diligence necessary to facilitate the orderly design of the endoscopy unit and actualization of this project. Given the scope of the overall undertaking this request for additional time will ensure appropriate completion of this phase.

As previously mentioned, through July 31, 2022, approximately \$315,300,000 of the approved \$473,326,372 has been expended on the project. The project has progressed consistent with the application underlying the permit approved by the Board, and even if the alteration is approved the project will be completed in accordance with the terms of the permit letter issued by the HFSRB.

# Confirmatory Evidence of Permit Compliance

Enclosed is a verified statement from Wayne Keathley that confirms the permit holders are complying with the scope, costs, and conditions of the project approved by the HFSRB, pursuant to the permit letter issued for this project. Additionally, the aforementioned verified statement confirms that there are sufficient financial resources available to complete this project.

If you have any questions or need any additional information regarding the project or this permit renewal request, please feel free to contact me at 312-212-4967.

Very truly yours,

BENESCH, FRIEDLANDER, COPLAN & ARONOFF LLP

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Mike Constantino, Senior Project Reviewer (via email)

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State of Illinois County of Cook

#### Verification

- I, Wayne Keathley, being first duly sworn, on oath, depose and state as follows:
- 1. I serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Rush University Medical Center ("RUMC"), the Permit Holder for Project #18-023.
- 2. This project involves the establishment of an Ambulatory Care Building located at the northeast corner of Ashland Avenue and West Harrison Street in Chicago, Illinois 60612.
- 3. A substantial amount of construction related to the building has been completed including the full build out of several floors of the building and the pedestrian skyway connecting the building to RUMC.
- 4. An alteration was recently filed with the Board to relocated outpatient endoscopy services to the eighth floor of the building. That request is still under consideration at this time, and if approved the proposed alteration will not increase the approved project costs or size.
- 5. At this time there are sufficient financial resources available to complete this project.
- 6. If the alteration is approved, it is anticipated that the entire project could be completed by December 31, 2023. Once construction is complete, a survey will be conducted, and a final costs report will be submitted to the Board.
- 7. At this time, we have spent approximately \$284,600,000 of the total project costs, and the Project's costs and scope currently comply with the application the HFSRB approved for Project # 18-023.

Under penalties as provided by law the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct.

(Date)