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Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62762

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Re: Ophthalmology Surgery Center of Illinois, Itasca (Project No. 18-047)

Dear Ms. Avery,

Please accept this letter outlining the expected impact the proposed Ophthalmology Surgery Center of Illinois, Itasca (Project No. 18-047) would have on Midwest Center for Day Surgery ("MCDS") in Downers Grove, Illinois.

Midwest Center for Day Surgery was established as an ASTC in 1987 to offer a convenient, lower cost surgery options for patients on our Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital campus. Advocate Aurora Health is a part owner of the facility alongside Surgical Care Affiliates and our partner physicians. Dr. Kovach's proposed project would relocate approximately 1,000 cases from MCDS to the newly established ASTC. The decreased volumes would materially impact the operations of MCDS and would hamper our ability to re-invest in the center at historical levels.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and please let us know if the Board requires further information.

Sincerely,



Dominica Tallarico
Executive Vice President, Central Chicagoland Region