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

Re: Permit Renewal Request – Ophthalmology Surgery Center of Illinois (Project. No. 18-047)

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing on behalf of Ophthalmology Surgery Center of Illinois, LLC (OSCI) to request a twelve month extension of the completion date for Project No. 18-047 OSCI. On April 30, 2019, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("HFSRB") approved OSCI's certificate of need application for the establishment of an ambulatory surgical treatment center to be located at 1300 Arlington Heights Road, Itasca, Illinois (the "Project"). Construction is complete and OSCI's ambulatory surgical treatment center license application was submitted to the Illinois Department of Public Health ("IDPH"). Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, IDPH informed OSCI that it is currently not conducting licensing surveys. Based upon advice of HFSRB staff, OSCI is requesting a twelve month extension of the Project permit to ensure sufficient time for IDPH to license the ambulatory surgical treatment center.

1. Requested Project Completion Date

OSCI requests the HFSRB grant a twelve month renewal of the Project permit and establish June 30, 2021 as the new project completion date.

2. Status of the Project

The Project is obligated and construction is complete. OSCI submitted its ambulatory surgical treatment center license application to IDPH. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, IDPH licensing surveys have been delayed, and OSCI has been advised it may be several months before OSCI can be surveyed and licensed. Based upon advice of HFSRB staff, OSCI is requesting a twelve month extension of the Project permit to ensure sufficient time for IDPH to license the ambulatory surgical treatment center.

To date, OSCI has expended \$3,491,497 on the Project.

3. Statement Regarding Completion of the Project

Construction is complete. To ensure adequate time to allow for IDPH to survey and license the ambulatory surgical treatment center, OSCI respectfully requests a twelve month renewal of the Project permit.

4. <u>Confirmatory Evidence of Project Compliance</u>

I hereby certify, pursuant to 77 Ill. Admin. Code §1130.740, OSCI's compliance with the scope and costs of the project approved by the HFSRB pursuant to Project Permit #18-047.

Based on the above information, which is provided to the HFSRB in compliance with Section 1130.740 of the Illinois Administrative Code, OSCI formally requests a twelve month renewal of its permit for Project #18-047 and a new project completion date of June 30, 2021.

If you need any additional information or have any questions regarding the status of the project, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kevin J. Kovach, M.D.

Manager

Ophthalmology Surgery Center of Illinois