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

Re: Project #20-006, Fresenius Kidney Care Galesburg

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to request your approval of an expedited review of the Fresenius Kidney Care Galesburg 5-station expansion application. I ask that it be moved from the April 7, 2020 agenda to the February 25, 2020 agenda. This clinic, in a medically underserved area of Knox County and was relocated in 2019 along with the addition of 2 stations. Due to the unforeseen closure of the Fresenius Maple City clinic in nearby Monmouth, resulting in the transfer of approximately 15 patients to Galesburg, additional stations are urgently needed.

The facility is now at 101% and has space for 5 more stations. These stations can be added quickly since the only construction will be plumbing. With additional patients expected to be admitted in the upcoming months the facility may need to initiate a 4th shift, ending at midnight, to accommodate this increase. Installing the new stations sooner may avert this late-night shift that creates undue hardship for patients and their families.

I respectfully ask that you consider expediting its hearing to the February 25, 2020 meeting.

Sincerely,

Lori Wright
Senior CON Specialist