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**VIA E-MAIL**

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

**Re: Permit Renewal Request – NANI Sycamore Dialysis, Project #21-019**

Dear Mr. Kniery:

We represent Sycamore Renal Care, LLC and Nephrology Associates of Northern Illinois, LTD., (collectively “Permit Holders”) with regard to a permit issued for Project #21-019. On December 14, 2021, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (“HFSRB”) approved Project #21-019, an application to establish a 10-station ESRD facility (“Project”). The facility will be located at Bethany Road Business Park on Lots 3-5, in Sycamore, Illinois 61265. The Project was anticipated to be completed by December 31, 2023. The purpose of this letter is to request a Permit Renewal pursuant to 77 Ill. Admin. Code 1130.740. A check with the permit renewal fee is being submitted under separate cover. This is our second renewal request.

**Requested Project Completion Date**

The permit holder requests that the HFSRB grant a permit renewal and establish Monday, September 2, 2024, as the project completion date for this project.

**Status of the Project**

This Project involves new construction of a structure that will house a 10-station ESRD facility on undeveloped land in Sycamore, Illinois. The land on which the facility will be constructed is in a zoned and designated “business park”, that will also house other commercial businesses within the park. Fortunately, substantive construction of the business park and the shell where the facility will be located is nearly complete. That construction work is expected to be complete by mid-November. However, as a result of the developer’s delays with the business park construction, the work related to the interior where the facility will be located has not begun.

Overall, the Project is approximately 25% complete. The shell, interior plumbing, and vapor barrier are complete. Electrical work and HVAC work has also begun at the site. The General Contractor has been in contact with various vendors regarding the supplies required to construct remainder of the facility. The Permit Holders have financially committed the project through the execution of agreements with their general contractor that were in excess of 33% of the total project cost. The general contractor for the project has engaged a design team who completed the plans for the facility and has received some of the building permits from the City of Sycamore.

### **Statement Regarding Project Completion**

As result of their ongoing communications with various vendors, the General Contractor has informed the Permit Holder of their continued expectation of delays as a result of the nation's ongoing supply chain issues. Supply Chain issues are another reason that has led the Permit Holders to seek the extension of the completion date for the Project. Bids for the work related to the interior are expected to go out in the next several weeks, and construction will begin in December 2023. To date approximately \$500,000 of the approved \$4,570,170 has been expended on this Project.

### **Confirmatory Evidence of Permit Compliance**

Enclosed is a verified statement from Lindy Nakaerts, Vice President of Facilities, Mergers and Acquisitions, that confirms the Permit Holders are currently 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Juan Morado, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Juan Morado, Jr.

County of Cook

**Verification**

I, Lindy Nakaerts, being first duly sworn, an oath, depose and state as follows:

1. I serve as Vice President of Facilities, Mergers and Acquisitions for Nephrology Associates of Northern Illinois and Indiana, one of the Permit Holders for NANI Sycamore Dialysis, Project #21-019.
2. This project involves the establishment of a 10-station ESRD facility located at Bethany Road Business Park Lots 3-5, in Sycamore, Illinois 60178.
3. Construction on the project has been delayed to date as a result of various issues associated with developer's construction of the business park where the proposed facility will be located.
4. The Permit Holder expects supply and construction material delays that will extend the time required complete the project given recent updates from the Project's General Contractor.
5. The Permit Holders have applied for building permits and has received some of the permits from the City of Sycamore.
6. At this time the project's costs and scope comply with the application of the HFSRB approved for Project #21-019.
7. Sufficient financial resources remain available for the facility to complete project #21-019.

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Sec. 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct.

*Lindy Nakaerts*

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

October 18, 2023

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