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VIA EMAIL

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

Re: NANI Sycamore Dialysis- Permit #21-019- Request to Relinquish Permit

Dear Mr. Kniery:

We represent Nephrology Associates of Northern Illinois, Ltd. and Sycamore Renal Care, LLC (the "Permit Holders") with regard to NANI Sycamore Dialysis, Permit #21-09. Pursuant to Title 77 Ill. Admin. Code Section 1130.775, please accept this letter as the Permit Holders request to relinquish Permit #21-09. The fee for relinquishing the permit is being submitted to your office under separate cover.

This project was approved to establish a 10-state ESRD facility to be located at Bethany Road Busineess Park on Lots 3-5 in Sycamore, Illinois. The Permit Holders have sought multiple permit renewals and since the project's approval the project has proceeded with due diligence but has been beset my numerous issues out of the Permit Holder's control which has led to their decision to relinquish the permit.

Despite various supply chain issues early in on the project, construction on the proposed facility had begun and the shell, interior plumbing, electrical and HVAC work for the building were completed earlier this year. While the construction of the project has proceeded, planning for the eventual operations presented its own problems. The Permit Holders have a long and existing history of serving as medical directors of similar facilities throughout northern Illinois and in planning for this facility they sought out experienced partners to assist with management of the day-to-day operations. Unfortunately, their proposed partner to manage the facility decided to back out of the arrangement leaving the Permit Holders searching for another option. After diligently seeking out alternative options for the past 8 months it has become clear that there are no other viable options available at this time.

Rather than seek a third permit renewal, the Permit Holders have decided it is in their best interest and in line with the requirements of the Planning Act to relinquish their permit. This would take the stations out of the state's inventory and if and when circumstances would arise where the

Permit Holders could move forward with such a project, they would reapply to this Board for the ability to do so. The Permit Holders remain committed to meeting the needs of their patients which was the original reason for this application in the first place and are working with patients who could have utilized this facility to ensure they have access to the care they need.

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

Very truly yours,

Juan Morado, Jr.