

August 29, 2024

Premier Cardiac Surgery Center, PLLC Mark Berlin, Administrator 11560 South Kedzie Avenue, Suite 102 Merrionette Park, IL 60803

RE: Premier Cardiac Surgery Center, Establishment of Cardiac Catheterization Lab Project #24-022

Dear Mr. Berlin:

I am in receipt of the letter dated June 21, 2024 from Premier Cardiac Surgery Center regarding plans to establish a cardiac catheterization lab ("cath lab") in Merrionette Park, Illinois.

OSF Little Company of Mary Medical Center ("LCMMC") is a safety net hospital located in Evergreen Park, IL which is in the same planning area of the proposed cath lab. LCMMC has two cardiac cath labs where elective cardiac procedures are performed, as well as providing 24/7 coverage for emergency cardiac procedures. It is estimated that approximately 1,400 cases will be performed in these labs during this fiscal year. Based on these current volumes, there is not an unmet service need. The proposed construction and/or modification of the existing facility to provide additional cardiac catheterizations would be an unnecessary duplication of services.

For the reasons stated above, I do not support the addition of a new Cath Lab planning area.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Kinsella

President

OSF Healthcare Little Company of Mary Medical Center

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