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October 1, 2010

Mr. Dale Galassie, Acting Chair
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702

Re: Update to Notice of Temporary Suspension of Obstetric Category of Service
Project: 10-045 Kewanee Hospital

Dear Mr. Galassie:

In accordance with the requirements of 77 Illinois Administrative Code 1130.240.d. this letter serves as an updated report regarding Kewanee Hospital's temporary closure of the obstetric category of service that was effective July 31, 2010.

As stated previously, the Hospital was no longer able to sustain the obstetric service line due to financial losses attributed to lack of reimbursement. The Hospital worked collaboratively with the medical staff, community and tertiary partners to plan for the closure. All obstetric services were effectively closed as of July 31, 2010 as previously planned.

Kewanee Hospital has submitted the CON Application and is tentatively scheduled for the October 26, 2010 State Board Meeting.

Thank you for your time and please contact me with any questions or for additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Lynn A. Fulton'.

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