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Mike,

Please see attached comments regarding #12-026.

Thank you



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

Re: US Renal Villa Park, Project #12-026

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of Fresenius Medical Care I am writing to comment on the US Renal Villa Park application and testimony made at the public hearing. Although Fresenius does believe that US Renal Villa Park will adversely impact its Elmhurst facility, (this was clear at the public hearing) we are not opposing the application. Fresenius believes the Health Facilities Services and Review Board's process is appropriate for addressing the establishment of facilities and that opposition to projects is warranted only in rare circumstances.

Fresenius relocated its facility to the Elmhurst Hospital campus from the same exact location that US Renal is now proposing to establish its Villa Park facility. Due to the Fresenius relocation, there were statements made by some patients at the public hearing that the Fresenius Elmhurst facility is difficult to access. The Elmhurst facility is on the campus of Elmhurst Memorial Hospital where we lease space in the medical office building. We have been and will continue to work with the landlord to address the problems, which specifically were long walks from the parking lot to the building and long wait times for the elevators to the unit. Generally speaking the patients seem otherwise very pleased with the new facility at Elmhurst.

Thank you for your consideration, and the continued efforts of the Board and its staff in analyzing the various applications presented as part of the CON process.

Sincerely,

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cc: Coleen Muldoon
Clare Ranalli

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