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Ms. Kathryn Olson
Chair
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street – 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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**RE: Request to Withdraw Permit and Pending COE Application
Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation Dialysis Center
CON #12-099 and E-007-14**

Dear Ms. Olson:

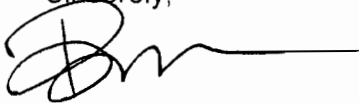
On March 26, 2013, the HFSRB approved CON #12-099 for the establishment of Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation Dialysis Center, a 36-station in-center dialysis facility on the Northwestern Memorial Hospital campus in Chicago. The Center's ownership was a joint venture between Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation (NMFF) (80% owner) and Ambulatory Services of America, Inc. (ASA) (20% owner). The total project cost is \$9,007,464.

Subsequent to the project's approval, in September, 2013, NMFF became a wholly owned subsidiary of Northwestern Memorial HealthCare pursuant to a clinical affiliation agreement by and between NMHC and NMFF. To reflect the change in control of NMFF (the majority owner of the Center), on March 19, 2014, Change of Ownership Exemption #007-14 was filed.

Since that time, the Northwestern Medicine system has changed even more; on July 14, 2014, the HFSRB approved the affiliation of NMHC and Cadence, adding two hospitals, two ASTCs, a Proton Center, and a minority ownership in a dialysis center to the system. Because NMHC desires to evaluate the ESRD needs of the entire system, Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation Dialysis Center, LLC requests to withdraw both CON #12-099 and E-007-14.

If you have any questions/comments, please feel to contact Bridget Orth at (312) 926-8650.

Sincerely,



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