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

**Re: Illini Renal Dialysis (Proj. No. 17-032) – Request for Expedited Review**

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of DaVita Inc. and DVA Renal Healthcare, Inc. (collectively “DaVita”), we respectfully request the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (“State Board”) grant expedited review of the above-referenced Illini Renal Dialysis application for certificate of need permit (the “CON Application”) and consider the CON Application at the November 14, 2017 State Board meeting. This project proposes to relocate Illini Renal. It is critical the CON Application be heard at the November 14, 2017. Utilization at the existing facility has increased 8% annually for the past three years, and it cannot expand its current footprint. If the CON Application is approved, DaVita would hope the replacement facility would be operational by the end of 2018.

In filing the CON Application, DaVita seeks authority from the State Board to relocate and expand its existing dialysis facility. The existing facility is located within a strip mall and cannot expand its current footprint. Over the past three years the facility’s compound annual growth rate is 8%. Based upon its historical growth, the existing facility will be fully utilized within 2 years and cannot add stations. To ensure access to life saving dialysis services are available to patients in Champaign and the surrounding area, DaVita respectfully requests the State Board consider the Illini Renal Dialysis application at the November 14, 2017 State Board meeting.

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Thank you for your time and consideration of our request for expedited review of the Illini Renal Dialysis CON Application. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne M. Cooper".

Anne M. Cooper