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Ms Courtney R Arcy  
Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Opposition to CON 18-042 Quincy Medical Group Surgery  
Center in Quincy, Illinois

Dear Ms. Arcy,

My name is Deborah Helmcke. I am the administrative director of the heart & vascular center at Blessing Hospital. I have been at Blessing Hospital for 30 years all in cardiology and I am well aware of what it takes to develop and maintain a quality cardiac cath lab and surgery centers in regards to people, equipment, and supply resources. I do not support this CON 18-042 to duplicate services in our community because I believe it will actually increase costs to the patient and community and limit each organization's ability to grow new services or provide current services. Particularly in cardiology, I worry about each organization's ability to maintain ~~the~~ high reliability with addition of cath labs which will dilute the market. Thank you for your consideration in voting no to CON 18-042

Sincerely,  
Deborah Helmcke