

DOCKET NO: OAG 14-486-02

IN RE PROPOSED ASSET PURCHASE : STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
OF SAINT MARY'S HEALTH SYSTEM :  
BY TENET HEALTHCARE : OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY  
CORPORATION : GENERAL  
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: OCTOBER 8, 2014

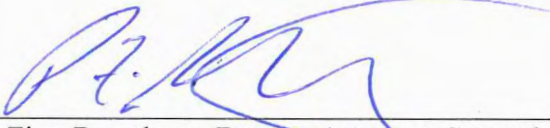
**RULING ON A PETITION FILED BY THE MASSACHUSETTS NURSES ASSOCIATION  
TO BE DESIGNATED AS AN INTERVENOR WITH FULL PROCEDURAL RIGHTS**

By petition dated August 25, 2014, the Massachusetts Nurses Association ("Petitioner") requests status with full rights of cross-examination in the public hearing to be held by the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") regarding the Application for Proposed Asset Purchase of Saint Mary's Health System, Inc., by Tenet Healthcare Corporation (the "Application"), filed under OAG Docket No. 14-486-02. The Petitioner represents over 900 nurses employed at two hospitals in Massachusetts owned by Tenet Healthcare Corporation, but does not represent any employees at Saint Mary's Hospital.

Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-177a, the Petitioner is hereby designated as an Intervenor with limited rights at the hearing scheduled for October 16, 2014, 1:00 p.m., at the Courtyard by Marriot Waterbury, Grand Ballroom, 63 Grand Street, Waterbury, Connecticut. As an Intervenor with limited rights, the Petitioner is allowed to participate as indicated below.

The Petitioner is granted the right to inspect and copy records on file with the OAG related to the Application and shall be copied on all pleadings, filings, and correspondence submitted from this point forward by the Applicant and other Intervenor until the issuance of a final decision by the OAG. As an Intervenor, the Petitioner shall copy the Applicants and all other Intervenor on all documents it submits to the OAG from this point forward in connection with this matter. As an Intervenor with limited rights, the Petitioner may be cross-examined by the Applicants, but the Petitioner does not have the right to cross-examine the Applicant. The Petitioner shall submit its pre-filed testimony on or before the close of business on October 10, 2014.

The OAG's jurisdiction in this matter is limited to the issues set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 19a-486c. Therefore, the Petitioner may present written or verbal evidence related to such issues. The Petitioner is not permitted to present written or verbal testimony regarding any matter beyond the scope of the 19a-486c issues identified in § 19a-486c. The OAG will make additional rulings regarding the Petitioner's participation throughout the hearing, as necessary, in the interest of justice and to promote the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

  
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Perry Zinn Rowthorn, Deputy Attorney General

10/8/14  
Date