



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

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GOVERNOR

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COMMISSIONER

January 24, 2006

Mr. Paul Ware  
15 Quail Ridge Road  
Farmington, CT 06032

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30549-DTR  
Acquisition of a CT scanner for New London location

Dear Mr. Ware:

On July 5, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received a Form 2020 Request for Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination from you on behalf of New Britain Radiological Associates, P.C. d/b/a MRI of New London (the "Applicant") for the addition of a CT scanner at 3 Shaw's Cove in New London, Connecticut. On August 19, 2005, OHCA forwarded to you a letter which contained a request for additional information regarding this matter. That letter was not responded to and on December 22, 2005, OHCA again forwarded its request for additional information regarding this matter. That letter asked for a response by January 6, 2006. OHCA has not received any response to the August 19, 2005 or the December 22, 2005 letter. As such, OHCA makes the following findings based upon the July 5, 2005 Form 2020 submission.

1. The Applicant requests a CON determination for the addition of a CT scanner for a 3 Shaw's Cove, New London location.

2. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is as follows:

Purchase of CT scanner	\$357,000
Associated construction/renovation	<u>\$ 20,000</u>
Total Estimated Capital Expenditure	\$377,000

3. The CT scanner to be acquired is an Asteion Quad unit.
4. The Applicant anticipates obtaining a conventional loan to finance this project.
5. New Britain Radiological Associates, P.C. would be providing the service.

Pursuant to Public Act 05-93, An Act Concerning the Capital Expenditure Threshold For the Regulation of Equipment Acquisitions, OHCA may exempt from certificate of need review a provider which has either (1) provided to OHCA satisfactory evidence that it purchased or leased such equipment for under \$400,000 on or before July 1, 2005 or (2) has obtained, on or before July 1, 2005, a CON or CON determination from OHCA that a CON was not required.

As the Applicant has neither obtained a Certificate of Need or Certificate of Need Determination prior to July 1, 2005 and has not provided any documentation to demonstrate to OHCA that it purchased or leased the equipment on or before July 1, 2005, OHCA hereby determines that New Britain Radiological Associates, P.C. d/b/a MRI of New London is not exempted from the CON process pursuant to Public Act 05-93. Subsequent to July 1, 2005, all CT scanning equipment requires Certificate of Need authorization pursuant to Section 19a-639 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended by Public Act 05-93. Therefore, the Applicant is required to seek Certificate of Need authorization from OHCA in order to acquire the proposed CT scanner. The Applicant must submit a Letter of Intent for this project in accordance with Section 19a-639, C.G.S.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Tillman Foster, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7020 or Karen Roberts, Compliance Officer at (860) 418-704. If you have any questions regarding the Letter of Intent or Certificate of Need process, please contact Kimberly Martone, Supervisor of CON process at (860) 418-7029 or Susan Cole, Director of Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting at (860) 418-7038.

Sincerely,

*Signed by Commissioner Cristine A. Vogel on January 24, 2006*

Cristine A. Vogel  
Commissioner

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